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June 25 is the day when the Korean war (1950 - 1953) broke out.

The war still has a profound impact on the situation of the Korean peninsula and beyond. Then how did it break out?

In view of the geopolitical importance of the Korean peninsula as a military vantage point for advancing into the Asian continent, the US dispatched its armed forces to the ROK in the guise of *'liberators'*, following Japan's defeat in 1945.

In 1948, at the US National Security Council, the then US president Truman issued a directive to further expand the ROK army and provide military aid to it.

That year, the US and the ROK concluded the *'tentative military and security status - of - forces agreement during the period of transition'*, which put the ROK army, police, major areas and facilities under the control of the US forces.

They deployed ROK troops in an attack formation in the area along the 38th parallel, with materiel and military hardware massed near the front.

In January 1950, under Truman's instructions, the US State Department and the US Joint Chiefs of Staff held a joint meeting to map out and agree on a plan to unleash the Korean war and a strategic plan for special actions at the outbreak of war, both of which were ratified by the US National Security Council on April 2.

According to an American book on the Korean war, all preparations for an armed raid on the Democratic People's Republic of Korea were brought to completion in May 1950.

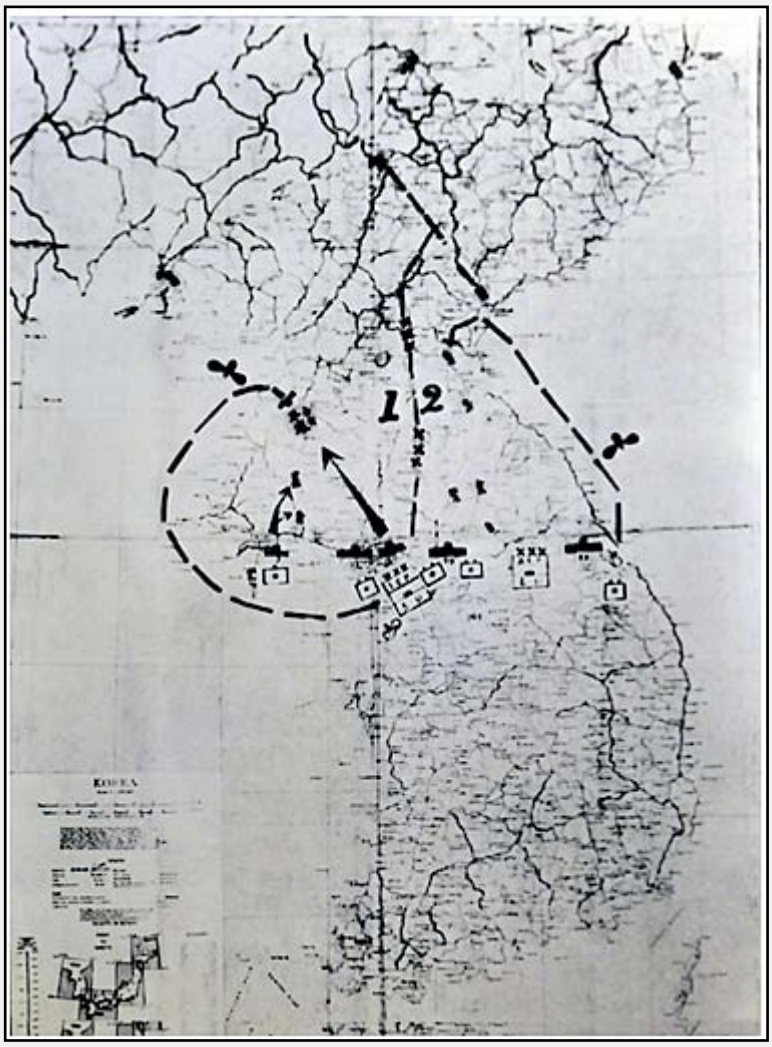
Another book *'Modern History of America'* says that: *'this is the first time in US history that it is fully poised for going to war'*.

This proves that the US made the preparations for military invasion of the DPRK in a planned way.

The US determined the D - Day, methods and order of war before launching an armed invasion of the DPRK early on June 25, 1950.

Referring to the reason why they set June 25 as the D - Day, Roberts, the then head of the US Military Advisory Group, said: *'We have chosen the 25th and this explains our prudence. It is Sunday. It's the Sabbath for both the United States and the ROK, both Christian states. No one will believe we have started a war on Sunday. In short, it is to make people believe that we are not the first to open a war'*.

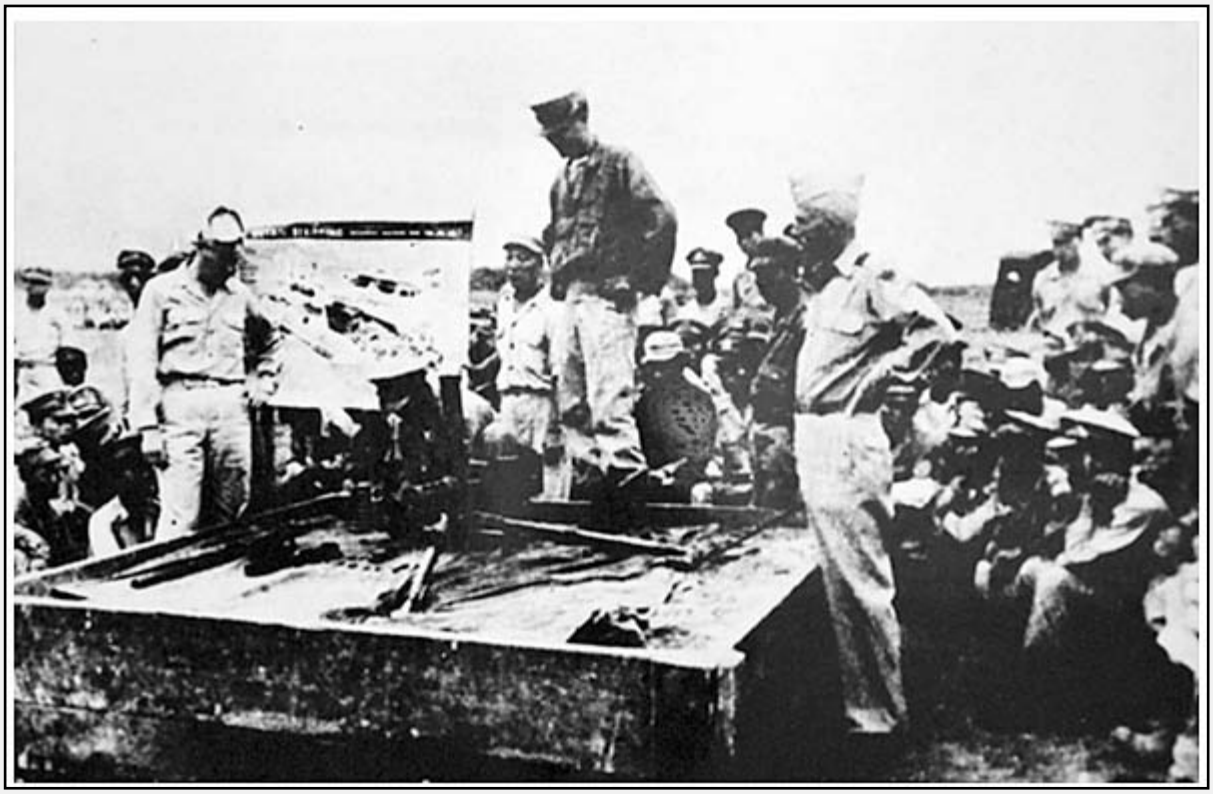
A staff officer of the US Army Command in the Far East confessed that: *'the ROK army launched the war on the direct order of the general headquarters of the US forces in Japan'*.



A war plan drawn up by the US to invade the DPRK

In May 1951, MacArthur, commander - in - chief of the US Army in the Far East, said that the DPRK army was deployed in areas far from the 38th parallel and that the formation was not attack - oriented but defence - oriented. US military intelligence officers said that the People's Army of the DPRK could not volunteer to invade because it was inferior in numbers or equipment. Such facts tell that the Korean war was started by the US.

The US can never cover up the truth behind its provocation of the war, no matter what tricks it employs to turn black into white.



ROK troops staging military exercises under the command of American military advisers

(Korean Publication Exchange Association)

'12th - Anniversary of the Award, of the title of Marshal to respected comrade KIM JONG UN'

It is now 12years, since respected comrade KIM JONG UN was awarded the title of Marshal on the 17th of July 2012. This placed him at the top military post of the DPRK fully reflected the support and confidence in dear respected Marshal KIM JONG UN. The award fully recognised the leadership abilities and brilliant commanding art of dear respected Marshal KIM JONG UN. .

Dear respected Marshal KIM JONG UN put forward the militant revolutionary Songun - based line of building up the nuclear force and economy of the DPRK in parallel, a brilliant application to the modern realities of the brilliant line of the great generalissimo KIM IL SUNG of building up the economy and defence in parallel. This was carried to a victorious conclusion under the leadership of dear respected Marshal KIM JONG UN with the result that the DPRK into a formidable power that can negotiate on equal terms with any country.

Dear respected Marshal KIM JONG UN led the DPRK in the intense confrontation with the US imperialists who ran wild to stifle Korean-style socialism through sanctions and military pressure. Respected Marshal KIM JONG UN with his skilful commanding art shattered the moves of the US imperialists and their puppets to provoke war on several occasions.

The work of building up the national defence forces of People's Korea has been pushed forward. Last year the DPRK launched its first ever military reconnaissance satellite.

Dear respected Marshal KIM JONG UN is an, invincible and iron - willed brilliant commander of Songun who follows in the footsteps of the great generalissimo's KIM IL SUNG and KIM JONG IL.

We are convinced that final victory belongs to the Korean people under the leadership of respected Marshal KIM JONG UN

LONG LIVE RESPECTED MARSHAL KIM JONG UN,
EVER VICTORIOUS MARSHAL OF JUCHE!

(Korean Friendship Association UK)

'71st Anniversary of Victory in the Fatherland Liberation War'

The Korean people led by great Generalissimo Kim Il Sung defeated US imperialism on the battlefield some 71 years ago. July 27th is celebrated by the Korean people as their second liberation day. It is an inspiration not only for the Korean people but for Juche idea followers, Songun idea followers and anti-imperialist fighters the world over so July 27th is celebrated across the globe from Bogotá to Belfast! The anniversary becomes even more significant as in a few months the DPRK will celebrate the 75th anniversary of its foundation.

Dear respected Chairman Kim Jong Un said:

'Our July 27 is the second Day of Liberation
when our people defended with honour their country's dignity and sovereignty
from the brigandish aggression by the U.S. imperialists,

and also the day of proud victors that put the U.S. imperialists, who were recklessly attempting to gain hegemony in the world and enslave it, on a downhill march towards ruin'

The heroic and glorious KPA commanded by the great leader Marshal Kim Il Sung tore the guts out of US imperialism. The US imperialists lost over 1,567,128 men including 405,498 US soldiers, 1,130,965 south Korean puppet troops, and 30,665 soldiers of their satellite states were killed, wounded or captured; 12,224 aeroplanes including *'air fortress B - 29'* were downed, damaged or captured, 7,695 guns, 3,255 233 tanks and armoured cars were lost; and 564 warships and vessels including the heavy cruiser Baltimore and the flagship of Seventh Fleet Missouri were sunk or damaged. The loss suffered by the US imperialists was nearly 2.3 times greater than what they had suffered in the four years of the Pacific War during World War II. Even official US statistics showed during each of the three years of the Korean war they lost double the troops for each year of the Vietnam War.

US General Mark Clark lamented mournfully that he was the first US commander to conclude an armistice without a victory.

The Fatherland Liberation War of the Korean people was an unequal battle as the US imperialists threw in huge armed forces plus the troops of 15 of their satellite countries as well the Japanese militarists not to mention the south Korean puppets. The US imperialists used barbaric methods of warfare exceeding those of the Hitlerlite Nazis. They used germ and chemical warfare and carried out horrendous massacres. All these failed to subdue the Korean people who under the wise leadership of the great revolutionary leader Marshal Kim Il Sung achieved a great victory. The forces of the heroic KPA defeated the so - called *'Invincible US 24th Division'*, taking its commander General Dean prisoner. Dean was the first US general to be captured by an opposing side. The KPA turned Height 1211 into a hill of heartbreak for the US imperialist aggressors.

The KPA and Korean people fought in the revolutionary spirit of self - reliance based on the Juche Idea. The great revolutionary leader Marshal Kim Il Sung stated:

'We must solve our problems no matter who is helping us and what help we get ... Victory must be won by our strength'

'It was their efforts that were primary in defeating the US imperialist aggressors'

In the Fatherland Liberation War commanded by the great leader comrade Kim Il Sung, the reactionary bourgeois military theory was smashed by the Juche - orientated revolutionary military strategy and theory. Generalissimo Kim Il Sung continually stressed that the outcome of war is not determined by weapons or technology but by those who wield the weapons. The Fatherland Liberation War was a burning crucible of Songun. The victory of the Korean people led by the great leader comrade Kim Il Sung shattered revisionist and pacifist theories about

peaceful co - existence and *'non - violence'*.

The Korean People's Army commanded by the great leader Generalissimo Kim Il Sung was a true people's army, an army of justice and liberation. It assisted the people. A strong spirit of Army - People unity prevailed throughout society. Summing up the significance of the victory in the Fatherland Liberation War. The great revolutionary leader Marshal Kim Il Sung said:

'In this great struggle our people fought determinedly
as one in mind under the correct leadership of the party and government
and thereby withstood the harsh trials of war honourably
and won a historic victory inflicting an ignominious defeat on US imperialism
and its running dogs'

The great leader comrade Kim Jong Il said:

'It was a great revolutionary war of worldwide significance,
a war in which our people defended their motherland
and inflicted the first - ever defeat on US imperialism,
the ringleader of world imperialism, by waging a national, heroic struggle'

Dear respected Marshal Kim Jong Un said that the victory in the Fatherland Liberation War:

'was a military miracle unprecedented in the war history of mankind
and a great feat of historical significance never seen before
in the nation's history spanning 5 000 years'

The Fatherland Liberation War ended in victory due to the Juche - orientated military tactics, Juche - orientated military thought and Songun revolutionary leadership of the great leader supreme commander Generalissimo Kim Il Sung and the sublime heroism of the KPA. The myth of US invincibility was smashed to smithereens in the Fatherland Liberation War. The victory in the Fatherland Liberation War inspired national liberation and revolutionary movements all over the world to struggle against the colonial system of the US-led imperialists bringing about an era of decline for US imperialism an era of anti - imperialism. US imperialism's defeat in Korea preceded its defeat in Vietnam and elsewhere. The Korean people's victory in the Fatherland liberation war was a great contribution to the world revolutionary movement as it showed that US imperialism could be stopped in its tracks and beaten.

July 27th, the Day of Victory will shine eternally not only in the hearts and minds of the Korean people but the world progressives! The spirit of July 27th will inspire the Korean people to march onward and smash the sanctions of the hostile forces.

US OUT OF KOREA !

(Korean Friendship Association UK)

'Imperialist panic, or a new kind of imperialism - dying imperialism'

The Telegraph

South Korea to make 'big mistake' by arming Ukraine, warns Putin

Gregor Stuart Hunter
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Vladimir Putin's threats come just days after agreeing to a defence pact with Kim Jong-un while on a state visit to Pyongyang - Kristina Kormilitsyna/REUTERS

Bloomberg

Putin's Defense Pact With Kim Jong Un Alarms US and Allies

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(Bloomberg) -- Russian President Vladimir Putin's trip to Asia won him support to maintain his grinding war on Ukraine while alarming the US and allies such as South Korea, which is now considering supplying Kyiv with weapons that could change the battlefield.

The last visit of President Vladimir Putin to the DPRK had an exceptional significance not only for the international relations between these countries, but also for the situation in which American imperialism finds itself with its leading country, the United States.

However, it is worth starting by presenting the never - ending wave of lies and distortions created by Western propaganda, which comments on international events with a level of lies that one of the experts in falsehood and disinformation of the former German Third Reich - Goebbels - would not be ashamed of.

After President Putin's visit, all the main media of the mainstream sewage began to provide distorted and untrue information about this visit. The BBC (British Brainwashing Corporation) showed in the main editions of the news President Putin together with Marshal Kim Jong Un in many aspects of this visit, which is true only in the vision that was presented. The commentary given about this visit was already a blatant lie. As the official BBC television reported in the news, the reason for President Putin's visit to the DPRK was ... a desperate search for help, including military support, in a situation where Russia is losing the war with Ukraine and is in a losing situation. Honestly I ... almost sat down laughing when I saw this on the TV screen at work.

And what does the situation really look like? It looks completely the opposite. Ukraine is losing all the way. And this is not only after the turn of events after the Russians took over *Avdiivka* in Donbas on February 17, 2024. that somehow after this episode Ukraine is losing - as the Western media are trying to convince us. Ukraine was losing from the very beginning. In their hurray optimistic battle tactics, the Russians maintained moderation and allowed the fascist Ukrainian troops to slowly exhaust their forces, attacking with caution and precision. February 17 is the date of the breakthrough for a larger offensive by Russian troops, not the beginning of the trend of Ukraine losing. The ratio of forces and military means on the part of the Russians has always prevailed and still prevails over the Bandera Ukrainian troops with low morale and willingness to fight. Therefore, the rumor about seeking military support from the DPRK for Russia in the war with Ukraine as the reason for President Putin's visit is a far - reaching lie

The next lie that was told in the reports of President Putin's visit is the reason for Marshal Kim Jong Un seeking an alliance with Russia. As it was said, I quote: *'... North Korea, suppressed and impoverished, is desperately seeking economic aid...'* Really?! Stupidity and ignorance of the realities that prevail in the DPRK are of enormous proportions, but one can also talk here about deliberate distortion of economic facts and deliberate lying and telling lies about the economic condition of the DPRK. Currently, in the DPRK, Juche socialism has achieved and is achieving enormous successes in the development of the economy, and the living conditions of society have never been better. The outstanding tasks set by the last 8th Congress of the Workers' Party of Korea are being implemented with great speed. Thousands of new apartments are being handed over for free, investments are being made in rural areas to improve living conditions in all aspects. People's Korea is becoming more beautiful and powerful every day ... and British television is talking about seeking help from the Russians because of poverty. Congratulations on such stupidity.

All British government and private press media serving the liberal system also shouted about *'threat to world peace'* and alleged threats from Putin.

The number of lies and idiotic, detached from reality assessments and analyses published after President Putin's visit to the DPRK is huge. To correct them all, I doubt that one month will be enough ... but just two of them are worth mentioning as an example of how stupid the Western media are in their assessments.

' ... Putin's visits to North Korea handed a new challenge to Pyongyang's top ally, China, potentially allowing Kim to hedge his bets and reduce his excessive reliance on Beijing...'

(from The Associated Press *'With its new pact with North Korea, Russia raises the stakes with the West over Ukraine'* Sunday 23rd.)

If these Associated Press idiots knew (or maybe they do but are deliberately

lying?) the specifics of the Juche philosophy and the DPRK's trade relations, they would not make such idiotic assessments. The DPRK has never been and is not currently dependent on China or anyone else in anything. Economic self - sufficiency is the guiding principle of the Juche idea to implement independence in the economic field. In line with what was said in the one of his speeches the Great Leader comrade Kim Jong Il:

'In order to implement the principle of economic self - sufficiency,
one must build an independent national economy.

Building an independent national economy
means building an economy which is free from dependence on others
and which stands on its own feet,
an economy which serves one's own people
and develops on the strength of the resources of one's own country
and by the efforts of one's own people.

In other words, this means to build an independent national economy'

and another:

' ... The fact that Putin did not rule out military - technical cooperation with North Korea, which could be a direct violation of the relevant UN Security Council resolutions, is a point of serious concern ...'

(from CNN *'Putin threatens to arm North Korea if the West continues to supply weapons to Ukraine'* Friday 21st of June)

First, the DPRK is already actively supporting the Russian military operation in Ukraine with its missile systems, which are proving very effective in destroying fascist units. Then there is the well - known bias of the UN Security Council. It talks about violations of resolutions on security issues. this rhetoric of statements is well - known. For the UN Security Council, numerous aggressions of the imperialist United States and its pet states such as Israel in Palestine or South Korea's provocations are not a violation of security or any security norms and, of course, fall within the canons of *'democracy'*. Hypocrisy and falsehood. It cannot be different Western *'model democracies'* are basically characterized by racist and neocolonial views, a steady increase in xenophobia, outbursts of aggressive nationalism, chauvinism and other forms of racial and religious intolerance. The authorities' inaction is justified by hypocritical references to the supposedly absolute nature of the right to freedom of speech.

Moreover, in fact, this new *'rash'* of slanderous and stupid press articles in the Western press serving American imperialism is the result of the desperate cry of stifled imperialism itself.

Another third chosen as example of stupidity and one - sided perception of global

realities is this quote:

' ... What we just saw are two internationally isolated countries (DPRK and Russia), formalizing cooperation across various areas, much of which has the potential to violate sanctions ...'

(from Bloomberg*'Putin's Defense Pact With Kim Jong Un, Alarms US and Allies' Friday 21st of June)*

Saying that both Russia and the DPRK are *'isolated countries'* is not only nonsense that has nothing to do with the actual facts. Neither Russia nor the DPRK needs any cooperation with the imperialist West. Mighty Asia with its huge potential and markets is an inexhaustible source of mutual benefits. The offended West imposes economic sanctions because there are countries like the DPRK that do not want to submit to the US hegemony that is already falling. But these sanctions are just an empty laugh for both Russia and the DPRK, China and Belarus or other countries united in an alliance against American imperialism.

Last time Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesperson Hua Chunying firmly put the United States in its place:

' ... The G7 does not represent the entire world.

These seven countries account for only 10 percent of the world's population.

Their share of the global economy has been steadily declining year by year...'

Even taken together, they contribute less to global economic growth than China, and their combined economic growth in purchasing power parity terms has already surpassed that of the BRICS.

The G7 has long since strayed from its original purpose of coordinating efforts to ensure stability in the global economic environment, and has increasingly become a political tool to perpetuate the superiority of the United States and the West. It is high time to put an end to this. Our potential and economic growth will put an end to the G7 once and for all.

Besides, in economic matters (and not only), all Western media create a great mirage and image as if Western countries are *'the world'* and without them no one can exist and even less develop. History shows it is different. Both in the case of DPRK and Russia, as reality shows is proved that this statement is false.

Western sanctions have failed completely. Both the DPRK and Russian economies continue to grow. They are developing brilliantly. That is true which the western propaganda trying to not show us or present in false.

For example, the Russian economy, despite a record number of restrictions, has

shown incredible resilience. It is expected to grow faster than most of the world's developed economies. As for the DPRK, Juche socialism has built an Asian powerhouse of enormous strength and independence. For Russia and the DPRK, Belarus and other countries united in the coalition of the so - called *'collective east'*, there is no need for any sales markets or access to raw materials, technology or knowledge. The DPRK technology is already far ahead of the knowledge and technique of the declining United States, for example in the field of hypersonic propulsion in military matters.

It has also failed to isolate the Russian Federation from the world economy through various attractions and barriers. Trading partners have not turned away from Moscow and continue their business and trade relations. Washington is trying to put pressure on such countries, but it is unsuccessful.

Western sanctions created mainly by the Yankees were created for the purpose that the whole world would join them. There are about 200 countries in the world. Nobody has joined the 50 or so Western countries in terms of economic sanctions. As the balance of power shows, over 160 countries are on the side of Russia and thus the DPRK, and on the side of the West, under the leadership of the USA, there are about 50 or so countries. The Yankees did not expect this and miscalculated. This is proof that both imperialism and capitalism, which is its domain in its liberal ideology, are being rejected and increasingly compromising themselves. The imperialists both in the past and now thought, that sanctions would bring the DPRK to its knees in the past and now Russia. However, this did not happen. Neither Africa, nor South and Central America, nor Asia, except for small South Korea, Japan and Taiwan, New Zealand and Australia, joined these sanctions against Russia. This is a global failure of imperialist international policy.

The reality shown by the current state of the imperialist US state is shocking. And no matter how hard mass media and image creation specialists try, the fall of American imperialism is already very visible. Decades of years of US imperialist policy focused on realizing its selfish interests, plundering and exploiting other countries through violence and wars are now taking their toll. The empire of evil from Washington is a complete systemic, moral, economic and technological ruin, holding on to the surface of economic life in the world with its billions - dollar debt only thanks to the colonies it still maintains, such as Poland.

Other states of the liberal and capitalist West are also not doing well in the international arena. Their importance and prestige are rapidly being lost to the declining American imperialism.

Last time the Chinese premier has canceled a meeting with German Vice Chancellor and Minister of Economy Habeck, who has arrived in Beijing.

German Vice Chancellor and Minister of Economy Robert Habeck has called on China to stop exporting to Russia. His words are quoted by the *'Financial Times'*:

' ... I looked at the trade data and found that China's trade with Russia increased by more than 40 percent last year. Of course, a significant part of it is energy, but about half is dual - use goods ...' - the minister said.

He added that technically these goods could be used on the battlefield and *'we have to stop this'*.

The Fourth Reich, as it is indeed Germany has not been recording any diplomatic successes lately. As has the entire regime behind the iron fence. No one in the civilized world takes them seriously.

What we observing, and it is worth to stress out, we observe a fundamental change in the rhetoric of western imperialist propaganda, the accent of panic of imperialist forces after president Putin's visit to DPRK resounds with full clarity. In this unleashed process of collapse and failure of imperialism in all areas of international activity, in diplomacy, economy and social life we observe with irony how imperialism is slowly dying, maybe this will create a new kind of it - dying imperialism, as long as it happens as soon as possible, as it will be to our satisfaction.

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'Remembering President KIM IL SUNG 30 Years on!'

On the 8th of July it will be 30 years since the great leader President KIM IL SUNG left us.

President KIM IL SUNG passed away on the 8th of July 1994, only a few days after a delegation of our Juche Idea Study Group of England had returned from visiting the DPRK, it was a great shock to us as we revered and still revere the great leader President KIM IL SUNG as the greatest of great leaders. He defeated two imperialism's US and Japanese in one generation thus securing independence for the people so that they became masters of their own destiny .President KIM IL SUNG authored the Juche Idea, the acme of progressive ideas of humanity.

When I learned of the news of the demise of President KIM IL SUNG when I was staying at my mother's house in Winchester, Hampshire, I was deeply shocked and could not believe the news. I assumed that it was the false propaganda of the imperialists.

President KIM IL SUNG who was born into the family of a humble peasant was the fearless guerrilla fighter who put Korea back on the map of the world. He took up the armed struggle against Japanese imperialism from an early age and led the anti - Japanese armed struggle to victory.

President KIM IL SUNG founded the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the homeland of Juche and cradle - land of the people's bliss, on September 9th 1948. He founded the Workers' Party of Korea, the supreme general staff of the Korean revolution, the organiser and guide of the Korean people, on the 10th of October 1945. On the 8th of February 1948 President KIM IL SUNG founded the Korean People's Army, the stalwart sentential of Juche - based socialism.

When the very existence of the young Democratic People's Republic of Korea was

threatened by the invasion of US imperialism and its vassal states, President KIM IL SUNG, the ever - victorious iron - willed brilliant commander led the fight of the Korean people to secure independence and freedom, inflicting a great defeat on US imperialism.

Throughout his life President KIM IL SUNG was a tireless fighter against US imperialism and also against modern revisionism. President KIM IL SUNG was a true internationalist who sent internationalist assistance to many lands of the world including Cuba, Egypt, Vietnam and many other countries.

President KIM IL SUNG with Premier Maurice Bishop, of the People's Revolutionary Goverment of Grenada

President KIM IL SUNG was indeed a giant of the international communist movement and its elder statesman. He met many different leaders such as Stalin, Mao, Tito, Fidel Castro, Enver Hoxa and Erich Honecker just to name a few. The late comrade Fidel Castro Ruz supreme leader of the Cuban revolution said of President KIM IL SUNG*: 'one of the most eminent, outstanding, heroic leaders of socialism'*.

President KIM IL SUNG established an advanced socialist system in Korea centred upon the popular masses making Korea into the model country of socialism. He declared that: *'the people are my God'*, and made sure that the people were put first in everything. The DPRK has neither unemployment nor homelessness and everyone enjoys the rights to free health care, free education etc. Today's flourishing People's Korea led by respected Marshal KIM JONG UN is the proud fruit of the guidance and leadership of President KIM IL SUNG to the Korean revolution. Without it, today's achievements would not be possible.

Although President KIM IL SUNG passed away some 30 years ago, his achievements shine ever bright.

LONG LIVE THE MEMORY,
OF THE GREAT LEADER COMRADE
KIM IL SUNG!

(Dr Dermot Hudson, Deputy Editor / Reviewer 'PKT',
General Chairman KFA UK)

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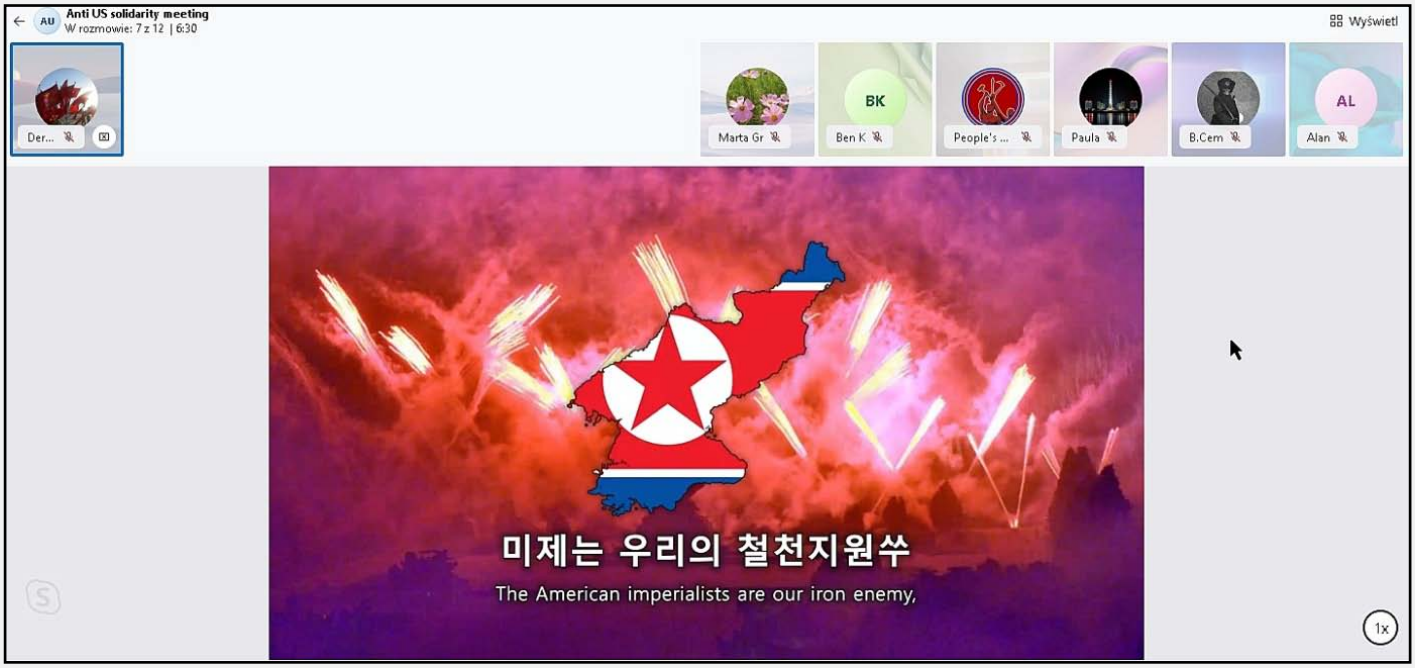
Report of Korean Friendship Association UK, Online 'Anti - US Solidarity Meeting' held 25th of June 2024



To mark the 74th anniversary of the provocation of the Fatherland Liberation War, the Day of Struggle against US imperialism and the start of the month of solidarity with the Korean people, the Korean Friendship Association of the UK (KFA UK) held an online anti - US meeting on the 25th of June at 1830 hours BST. Participating were members of KFA UK from London, West of England, Oxfordshire and Scotland. Guests from KFA Andalusia (Spain), KFA Russia, KFA Greece, the People's Korea Initiative of Poland, the Warsaw Juche Idea Study Group and a guest from Russia.

The song *'Death to the US imperialist Aggressors'* was played at the start of the meeting.

Introducing the meeting Dr Dermot Hudson, the chairman of KFA UK and Chairman of the British Group for the Study of the Juche Idea said that the meeting was not a historical or academic exercise as the US continues to occupy south Korea and threaten the DPRK.

Alan Bolon KFA UK Organisation Secretary and head of KFA UK West of England read out the article *'Truth behind the Korean War'* which exposed the fact that the US actually started the Korean War. The article concluded that: *'The US can never cover up the truth behind its provocation of the war, no matter what tricks it employs to turn black into white'.*

Dr Hudson said in his contribution to the meeting that: *'Stepping up solidarity with the Korean people is part of the struggle against the global empire of US imperialism'*. Dr Hudson detailed facts that showed the US and south Korean puppets had started the Korean War. He also spoke about the barbaric atrocities committed by the US imperialists recalling his visits to the Sinchon museum. Dr Hudson concluded by saying that: *'Today US troops continue to occupy the southern part of Korea and threaten the DPRK. The aggressive and predatory nature of the US hostile policy towards the DPRK remains even after 74 years. We hope that this meeting and our picket of the US embassy on the 29th of June , in a few days time will make a meaningful contribution to the month of solidarity with the Korean people'*.

Comrade Alan Bolon read out the address of President KIM IL SUNG *'Let Us wipe Out the Invaders by a Decisive Counteroffensive'*. Which had been Delivered at the Extraordinary Meeting of the Cabinet of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea June 25, 1950.

Short contributions were made by the representative of KFA Andalusia and the general secretary of KFA Greece which mentioned the recent successful visit of Russian president VV Putin to the DPRK.

A solidarity resolution was adopted.

The short documentaries '*The US Imperialist Aggressor Army under the Cloak of UN*

Force' and *'Undried Blood'* were shown.

The meeting concluded at 1950 hours BST.

(Korean Friendship Association UK)

Report of Online Meeting on the work: 'On Adhering To Socialist Principles in All Fields of the Revolution and Construction' 22nd of June 2024

The British Group for the Study of the Juche Idea together with the Korean Friendship Association of the UK (KFA UK) held an online meeting on the 22 June at 1500 hours BST about the work of Chairman KIM JONG IL *'On Adhering To Socialist Principles in All Fields of the Revolution and Construction'* to mark the 60th anniversary of the start of work of the great leader comrade KIM JONG IL at the Central Committee of the Workers Party of Korea. Participating were members of KFA UK and the British Group for the Study of the Juche Idea from London and the West of England as well as guests from the People's Korea Initiative of Poland.

Dr Dermot Hudson, the Chairman of the British Group for the Study of the Juche Idea and Chairman of the Korean Friendship Association of the UK said that the anniversary of the start of work of the great leader comrade KIM JONG IL at the Central Committee of the Workers Party is a very important anniversary.

Comrade Alan Bolon, Organisation Secretary of KFA UK and head of KFA UK West of England read out key passages from the work *'On Adhering To Socialist Principles in All Fields of the Revolution and Construction'* which stressed that the DPRK did not need to reform and open up.

Dr Hudson said in part that:

'The very title of this work is very apt and fitting
because People's Korea does indeed adhere to socialist principles
in all fields of the revolution and construction
and it is essential for a socialist country to do so
and not try to build socialism by capitalist methods'

He also said that:

'Chairman KIM JONG IL is not only stressing the defence of socialism
but is calling an actual offensive against capitalist elements.

Probably the DPRK was unique among socialist countries for doing this'

Comrade Alan Bolon said that you cannot build socialism by capitalist methods because you end up building capitalism.

Dr Hudson said that People's Korea is the true socialist country .

The meeting concluded at 1545 hours BST

(Korean Friendship Association UK)

The Association For the Study of Songun Politics UK,
the British Group for the Study of the Juche Idea,
the Korean Friendship Association of the UK,
issued the following joint statement,
in support of the press statement,
of comrade Kim Yo Jong,
vice - department director of the Central Committee,
of the Workers Party of Korea (WPK),
that was issued on the 21st of June

Recently, the ROK puppets allowed and encouraged defectors ,the dirty traitors to the socialist Juche motherland, to send balloons laden with dirty wastepaper into People's Korea and rubbish was found on farmland and near to the margins of reservoirs. This is a grave crime against People's Korea for which the defectors should be made to pay for.

As comrade Kim Yo Jong says in her statement:

' ... Those human scum would be condemned by population of the ROK ...'

We totally denounce the south Korean puppets and the human scum for their criminal actions. We support whatever measures the DPRK will take in retaliation.

(ASSPUK, BGSJI, KFA UK, London 22nd of June Juche 113 [2024])

Report of Hybrid Event: 'Exploits of comrade KIM JONG IL in Juche – Party building' held 19th of June 2024

The hybrid seminar *'Exploits of comrade KIM JONG Il in Juche - party building'* to mark the 60th anniversary of the start of work of the great leader comrade KIM JONG IL at the Central Committee of the Workers Party of Korea, took place on the 19th of June both online via Skype and in the Kom Treff Centre in Berlin at 1630 hours German time.

The event took place under the auspices of the European Regional Committee For Friendship with the Korean People and the Korean Friendship Association (KFA) of Germany.

Attending the meeting in person were members of KFA Germany, the Juche Idea Study Group of Germany, the Korean Friendship Association of the UK (KFA UK) and the Denmark - DPRK Association. A honoured diplomatic representative of the DPRK from the Embassy of the DPRK in Berlin also attended the meeting. The meeting was participated in online by friends of People's Korea from Austria, Croatia, Denmark, Finland, Germany, Italy, Nepal, Poland, Spain and UK.

The meeting was presided over by Dr Dermot Hudson, the secretary general of the European Regional Committee for Friendship with the Korean People, vice - Chair of the Organising Committee For the International Festival in Praise of the Great Persons of Mt Paektu and chairman of the KFA UK and by Jeremy Bieringer Chairman of KFA Germany.

Dr Hudson introduced the meeting stressing that the recent visit of President Putin to the DPRK proves that it is at the centre of world politics. He also said that the DPRK 's achievements are associated with the leadership of the Workers Party

of Korea guided by Chairman KIM JONG IL.

A congratulatory message of the Korean Europe Cultural Exchange Agency was read out,

A recorded version of the keynote address of Christer Lundgren chairman of the Sweden - Korea Friendship Association was played at the meeting. This said in part that:

'This ideological and organizational work
during Kim Jong Il's first years in the Central Committee
explains why the party, despite great difficulties,
has stuck to its ideology and its revolutionary
position and maintained its firm
base among the working class and the people'

Dr Hudson in his speech to the meeting said that:

'Today the WPK shines as a Party of Juche,
a party of independence and militant anti - imperialism with its own guiding idea,
the Juche idea and a party which is not just a mass party
in terms of numbers but has members from all walks of life.

Today under the guidance respected Marshal KIM JONG UN,
the successor to comrade KIM JONG IL,
the Workers Party of Korea continues the work
of the great leader comrade KIM JONG IL'

Jeremy Bieringer, Chairman of KFA Germany said in his contribution that:

'Today, Marshal KIM JONG UN is continuing the policy of Comrade KIM JONG IL.
Foreigners who visited Pyongyang recently noted that the city has changed a lot.
Under the leadership of Marshal KIM JONG UN,
new roads the size of small towns have been built,
as well as new subways and buses for the convenience of the people of Pyongyang.
A new greenhouse was also built in which 1800 people work
and which supplies the population of the socialist capital
with high - quality vegetables free of charge'

Sara Russo, Organisation Secretary of KFA Germany pointed out that:

'I speak for everyone here that we all appreciate his ambition
and his hard work in the WPK to proceed to build the WPK as the party of Juche'

The speech of the Chairman of the Denmark - DPRK Association was read out by Mathias Fantoni, Chairman of the Juche Idea Study Group, the speech stressed that:

'Comrade Kim Jong Il was a pioneer in many ways.
He began working tirelessly in the WPK at the very young age of 22.

Beforehand, he had excelled in the party and the youth league,
as a strong revolutionary with great insight in theory and practical knowledge'

Comrade Alejandro Cao De Benos, who joined the meeting online said that the visit of Russian President Putin to the DPRK was highly significant and said that:

'Let us honor our Great Leader Kim Jong Il by reaffirming our commitment to the principles he championed. Let us continue to build a strong, prosperous, and independent Korea, guided by the Juche ideology and inspired by his enduring legacy.

As we look to the future, we draw strength from his example, knowing that the path he laid out will lead us to greater heights.

His spirit lives on in our hearts and our actions, propelling us forward in our pursuit of a brighter, more prosperous future'

Speakers from Nepal, Austria, Poland, Croatia, Italy and Finland also delivered speeches online.

The meeting adopted a congratulatory message to dear respected Marshal Kim Jong Un, the supreme leader of the DPRK.

A short clip titled: *'Kim Jong Il, Leading Socialism to Victory on All Fields'* was shown.

Afterwards KFA Germany hosted an excellent reception for the participants of the meeting. The party continued into the night and the event concluded at 2100 hours.

(Dr Dermot Hudson, Deputy Editor / Reviewer 'PKT',
General Chairman KFA UK)

The Association For the Study of Songun Politics UK, the British Group for the Study of the Juche Idea, the Korean Friendship Association of the UK, issued the following joint statement, on the 74th anniversary of the provocation, of the Fatherland Liberation War (Korean War), by the US imperialists and south Korean puppets, and the start of the Month of Solidarity with the Korean people (June 25th to July 27th 2024)

The US imperialists, the ringleader of the world imperialism and international reactionaries, provoked a war in Korea on the 25th of June 1950 by instigating their south Korean puppets to attack the young Democratic Peoples Republic of Korea. The US imperialists were hungry for profits and conquest. The US imperialists fought an unjust aggressive war against the Korean people. The US imperialists launched a war of conquest against the DPRK, a war to destroy the Juche - based people's democratic system in the DPRK as well to destroy socialism in Asia and the world.

The Korean people led by the great revolutionary leader and national hero Marshal KIM IL SUNG, a true military strategic genius and ever - victorious iron - willed brilliant commander fought a fierce anti - imperialist, anti - US struggle against US imperialism and the allied forces of international reaction. It was a fierce class struggle against the enemies of the people. The Korean people fought a national liberation war against the Yankee imperialist invaders, a war of justice for independence and freedom and also a war to reunify the sacred motherland. The Fatherland Liberation War of the Korean people proved to a crucible of the Songun idea.

We condemn the appalling barbarity of the US imperialists during the Fatherland Liberation War. We denounce their crimes of massacring civilians, the use of biological and chemical weapons. 35,383 people were murdered by the US at Sinchon - ri and 1,050 people at Susan - ri (one third of the population of the area), just to give a few examples. The US imperialists tried to exterminate the Korean people by carrying out the war that they long planned .

The US imperialists have increased their threats to People's Korea and have been carrying out numerous military exercises threatening the DPRK. The US imperialist and south Korean puppets are stepping up their war moves plus the US is openly deploying strategic nuclear assets.

A vigorous campaign should be launched for the withdrawal of US troops from south Korea as well as the conclusion of a permanent peace treaty.

On this occasion we express our wholehearted support for the DPRK led by respected Marshal KIM JONG UN in its struggle for independence, justice and peace.

We join hands with the Juche Idea and Songun idea followers in rallying around the DPRK.

(ASSPUK, BGSJI, KFA UK, London 16th of June Juche 113 [2024])

The Association For the Study of Songun Politics UK, the British Group for the Study of the Juche Idea, the Korean Friendship Association of the UK, issued the following joint statement, on the occasion of the 60th anniversary, of the start of work of the great leader comrade KIM JONG IL, at the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea

The start of work of the great leader comrade KIM JONG IL 60 years ago on the 19th of June 1964 was truly a great landmark in the development of the Korean revolution and the history of building the Workers Party of Korea. Comrade KIM JONG Il after starting work at the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea

(WPK) devoted his tireless energy to the cause of Juche - orientated party building which had been started by the great leader comrade KIM IL SUNG the eternal president of the DPRK and founder of the glorious Workers' Party of Korea.

Since comrade KIM JONG IL started at the Central Committee of the WPK, a thoroughgoing and qualitative change took place in the work of the Party.

When comrade KIM JONG IL started work at the Central Committee of the WPK many communist and workers parties of the world were experiencing difficulties due to the emergence of modern revisionism. Comrade KIM JONG IL rebuffed attempts to undermine the leading role of the WPK, the vanguard party by emphasizing the great Juche idea authored by President KIM IL SUNG as the iron guiding ideology of the Party.

Comrade KIM JONG IL stated that: *'The Workers' Party of Korea will shine for ever as the Party of Comrade Kim Il Sung'* and built up the WPK into an ideologically integrated whole.

Thanks to the guidance of Party work by comrade KIM JONG IL successes in all fields such as the economy, culture, science and defence great victories were scored and a stunning leap forward in the building of Juche socialism took place. The great leader comrade KIM JONG IL wrote many works of genius such as *'On the Art of the Cinema'* which expounded the seed theory.

Comrade KIM JONG IL always stresses that the WPK had a mass foundation and mixed with people giving on - the spot guidance. He was against the abuse of power and bureaucracy in Party work.

Comrade KIM JONG IL fully embodied the idea of *'The People are my God'* of President KIM IL SUNG and built the WPK into a motherly party that took care of people's lives. He adopted a modest and popular style of work and fully developed the people - orientated policies on such as the abolition of taxation, free health care, free education and low - cost housing. Under the benevolent and all - embracing politics of comrade KIM JONG IL, the DPRK developed into a harmonious socialist family, the like of which is not seen in any other country.

It was thanks to the dynamic and untiring leadership of comrade KIM JONG IL that the WPK could win victory after victory even in the most adverse circumstances in which the odds were stacked against it.

In the 1990s due to the frustration of socialism in some countries, owing to modern revisionism, the imperialists stepped up efforts to stifle socialism in People's Korea by applying sanctions. Comrade KIM JONG IL affirmed the validity and scientific accuracy of socialism by authoring works such as *'Abuses of Socialism Are Intolerable'*, *'Socialism Is A Science'* and *'Giving Priority to Ideological Work is Essential for accomplishing socialism'*. He rallied the people of the DPRK to defend socialism. Moreover comrade KIM JONG IL countered the imperialist's attempts to

overpower People's Korea by administering Songun (army first) politics, the treasured sword for defending independence and won victory in the confrontation with the imperialists. Firm foundations were laid for a powerful, prosperous socialist country based on single - hearted unity.

Comrade KIM JONG IL exploits in Juche party building shine brightly even with the passing of 60 years. Today they are carried forward by respected Marshal KIM JONG UN Every year the DPRK and progressive people of the world celebrate June 19th in the same splendid way as it does October 10, the founding day of the WPK. We join them in marking this significant

(ASSPUK, BGSJI, KFA UK, London 12th of June Juche 113 [2024])

Report of Korean Friendship Association UK, and the British Group for the Study of the Juche Idea, 6th Joint Songun - Juche Q and A Study Session, held 11th of June 2024

The 9th Joint Songun - Juche Q and A and Study Session of the Korean Friendship Association of the UK (KFA UK) and the British Group for the Study of the Juche Idea was held on the 11th of June at 1830 hours via Skype.

Participating in it were members of the KFA UK and British Group for the Study of the Juche Idea from London, West of England and Hampshire as well guests from KFA Germany, from the People's Korea Initiative of Poland and from Russia.

A number of questions were raised about; the nature of ownership in the DPRK economy, state farms and co - operative farms in the DPRK, self - sufficiency in the DPRK, animal rights in the DPRK and also whether foreigners can join the Korean People's Army.

Dr Hudson in his answers said that:

'In the DPRK there are only the state
and cooperative sectors in the economy and in agriculture'

He also pointed out that there is no private farming in the DPRK and the aim is to convert co - operative farms into state property.

Dr Hudson said that the DPRK is basically self - sufficient and survived 4 years with its border closed.

In answer to questions directly raised by the participants Dr Hudson said it is possible for foreigners to study in the DPRK and that the DPRK has consistently supported the Palestinian people.

Dr Hudson read out excerpts from 'Juche *Idea - Answers To A Hundred Questions'*

and *'Questions and Answers on the Songun Idea'*.

The session concluded at 19.55 hours BST

(Korean Friendship Association UK)

The Association For the Study of Songun Politics UK,
the British Group for the Study of the Juche Idea,
the Korean Friendship Association of the UK,
issued the following joint statement,
in support of the press statement of comrade Kim Yo Jong,
vice department director of the Central Committee,
of the Workers Party of Korea,
that was issued on Sunday 9th of June

On the 6th and 7th of June, the hated ROK puppets again sent balloons into the sacred and inviolable territory of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK). Comrade Kim Yo Jong in her statement described it as a *' ... provocative act of scattering the political agitation rubbish ...'*. We would add that our organisations, the ASSPUK, BGSJI and KFA UK strongly condemn and denounce the south Korean fascist puppets for their criminal psychological warfare against People's Korea which is aiming at overthrowing the socialist system and annexing People's Korea.

The ROK puppets have also resumed the use of loudspeaker broadcasts against the DPRK. This is another provocation against the DPRK and an attempt to put more pressure on the DPRK on top of the provocative balloon launches. Comrade Kim Yo Jong says: *' ... We strongly denounce the despicable and childish behavior of the ROK and clarify our stand responding to it ...'*. The south Korean puppets were also warned that they would face counter-action. The south Korean puppets are warned against further intemperate actions.

We support the resolute stand of People's Korea against these vile provocations by the reactionary capitalist puppets of the ROK ! It is right for the DPRK to take retaliatory measures.

Down with the ROK puppets!

Defend People's Korea !

(ASSPUK, BGSJI, KFA UK, London 10th of June Juche 113 [2024])

The Association For the Study of Songun Politics UK, the British Group for the Study of the Juche Idea, the Korean Friendship Association of the UK, issued the following joint statement, on the 22nd anniversary of the murder, of south Korean schoolgirls Sin Hyo Sun and Sim Mi Son, by the US imperialist aggressor troops in south Korea

22 years have passed since two young schoolgirls in south Korea lost their lives at the hands of the US army. The US imperialist aggressor troops in south Korea are guilty of taking the lives of two innocent schoolchildren who were walking home from school. Sin Hyo Sun and Sim Mi Son were just two innocent schoolgirls on their way home from school.

This atrocity by the US imperialists took Sin Hyo Sun and Sim Mi Son from their families and friends. Had they lived the two girls would now be in their 20s, starting out in life with hopes and aspirations. However, life with all its opportunities and challenges was taken from them by the US imperialists. No one was jailed for the crime. It was clearly a deliberate and premeditated act by the US imperialist troops who hate and despise the south Korean people.

South Korea does not have the right to try US soldiers who commit serious crimes on south Korean soil to try them. The US under the *'Status of Forces Agreement'* enjoys *'extraterritoriality'*. This gives them colonial privileges in south Korea. It means that they can swagger around and commit serious crimes in south Korea and get off scot - free.

The killing of Sin Hyo Sun and Sim Mi Son by US troops proves beyond doubt that the US army needs to withdraw from South Korea and that the US needs to change its policy towards Korea.

Although the US imperialists perpetrated such an evil crime as killing schoolgirls, US troops still remain in south Korea lording it over the south Korean people Since the killings of Sin Hyo Sun and Sim Mi Son numerous crimes such as murder, robbery and rape have been committed by the US troops in south Korea. Despite this the south Korean authorities have agreed to pay more money in upkeep expenses for US troops.

The presence of US imperialist troops in south Korea is intolerable for the south Korean people. The US imperialist troops in south Korea are the root of crimes and depravity.

The US imperialists commit crimes and atrocities not only in south Korea but other parts of the world where they have troops such as Okinawa.

In the independent socialist DPRK, there are no US forces and the people are free from US occupation. Children can play happily without the fear of being killed or injured by Yankee soldiers or suffering a fate worse than death. The US imperialists falsely accuse the DPRK of human rights violations but it is the US imperialists who violate the human rights of the south Korean people on a daily basis.

This was a terrible crime against humanity by the US but no one has ever been held accountable. We call for the total, full and unconditional withdrawal of US troops from the south of Korea. We fully support the struggle of the south Korean people for the withdrawal of US troops.

(ASSPUK, BGSJI, KFA UK, London 7th of June Juche 113 [2024])

The Association For the Study of Songun Politics UK, the British Group for the Study of the Juche Idea, the Korean Friendship Association of the UK, issued the following joint statement, on the occasion of the 87th anniversary, of the battle of Pochonbo

The battle of Pochonbo was a unique military and political feat of the Korean People's Revolutionary Army under the command of the great leader comrade Kim Il Sung, a gifted military strategist, heroic partisan leader and ever - victorious iron-willed brilliant commander. The battle of Pochonbo struck a mighty blow against the fascistic Japanese imperialists, striking fear into them.

It was on the 4th of June 1937 that the revolutionary fighters of the KPRA carried out a daring and audacious operation to advance into the Korean homeland, under the command of the great leader comrade Kim Il Sung. General Kim Il Sung the commander of the KPRA had put forward the bold policy of advancing into the Korean homeland and to strike at the Japanese imperialist occupiers.

The Japanese imperialists who had annexed Korea in 1910 were severely oppressing the Korean people, literally strangling the life out of them and trying to obliterate everything Korean. The question of advance into the homeland was simply not a military one but a political and ideological one.

Under the wise command of the great leader comrade Kim Il Sung using brilliant Juche - orientated guerrilla tactics the Korean People's Revolutionary Army annihilated the Japanese imperialist aggressors in Pochonbo and went on to defeat them in the battles of Kouyushan and Jiansanfeng.

As the great leader comrade Kim Il Sung said:

'Brothers and sisters, look at the flames over there.

Those raging flames show that the enemy is doomed.
Those flames show the whole world that our nation is not dead but alive,
and that if we fight against the Japanese imperialist plunderers we can win.

Those flames will shine like a ray of hope in the hearts of our people
suffering from maltreatment and hunger,
and will spread throughout our three - thousand - ri land like a torch of struggle.
The Korean people are not of the 'same descent' as the Japanese imperialist villains,
and we do not acknowledge the idea noisily propagandized by them,
that 'Japan and Korea are one'.

We, the KPRA, will tighten our grip on our weapons of revenge
and liberate our 23 million fellow countrymen suffering from hunger and poverty,
ignorance and darkness.

We will liberate our fatherland come what may,
and establish a people's country free from oppression
and exploitation on the land of the independent fatherland'

Indeed the flames of Pochonbo symbolised the cleansing of Japanese imperialism from Korea and the destruction of the old society of exploitation and oppression.

The victory in the Pochonbo battle, which was due to the protean guerrilla tactic of the great leader comrade Kim Il Sung, was a powerful inspiration to the oppressed peoples of the world in their anti - imperialist, anti - colonialist struggle. As one third world liberation fighter wrote:

'The beacon fire of Pochonbo marked a great event
which gave confidence in struggle to not only the Korean people
under the colonial rule of Japanese imperialism,
but also to the world revolutionary oppressed people,
groaning in those days under the heels of the imperialist aggressors - fascist
Germany, Italy, Japanese imperialism and American and British imperialism'

Today the battle of Pochonbo remains a potent inspiration and model of success in guerrilla struggle for anti - imperialist independence movements. The beacon fire of independence lit in Pochonbo 87 years ago still burns brightly in the independent, self reliant DPRK the land of Juche.

(ASSPUK, BGSJI, KFA UK, London 3rd of June Juche 113 [2024])

The Association For the Study of Songun Politics UK, the British Group for the Study of the Juche Idea, the Korean Friendship Association of the UK, issued a joint statement in support of the press statement, of comrade Kim Kang Il, vice-minister of National Defence, of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK)

In his press statement comrade Kim Kang Il, vice minister of National Defence of the DPRK stated that that the DPRK had successfully carried out a balloon operation against south Korea. From the 28th of May to the 2nd of June the DPRK scattered 15 tons of wastepaper over south Korea. Some of it landed in the capital of south Korea and even on the Japanese imperialist embassy ! The operation was a great victory for the DPRK, as it taught the south Korean puppets a lesson that they will never forgot.

The DPRK has now called a halt to wastepaper scattering over south Korea.

However, should the south Korean puppet fascist reactionaries resume their hostile anti - DPRK leaflet scattering then the DPRK will resume its operations against south Korea. South Korea has been warned.

Down with the south Korean fascist puppet regime!

Defend People's Korea !

(ASSPUK, BGSJI, KFA UK, London 3rd of June Juche 113 [2024])

Harvest of Wheat and Barley, Mainly Concluded in South Hwanghae Province

South Hwanghae Province of the DPRK has taken the lead in implementing the Workers' Party of Korea's policy on changing the structure of grain production.

The province has mainly finished the harvest of wheat and barley in the areas increased over 1.3 times last year's, and it is expected that the average yield per hectare will increase 1.5 tons.

Agricultural officials and workers in the province are pushing ahead with the harvesting and threshing of wheat and barley at the final stage.

(Pyongyang, June 22, Juche 113
Korean Central News Agency)

Agricultural Workers Move into New Houses

New villages have appeared at the Wolryong Farm under the North Hwanghae Provincial Rural Economy Committee in the DPRK.

Many modern houses of various styles with regional features, built in the villages, are another epitome showing a new development of the socialist countryside.

Present at the ceremony for moving into those new houses were Kim Hak Gil, secretary of the North Hwanghae Provincial Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea, officials of the Party and power organs in Yonthan County, builders and agricultural workers.

Kim Son Il, chairman of the North Hwanghae Provincial People's Committee, made a congratulatory address.

Licenses for the use of houses were handed over and speeches were made.

When moving into the new houses began, dancing parties were displayed in the villages filled with a festive mood.

Officials visited the owners of new houses to share joy with them.

(Pyongyang, June 21, Juche 113
Korean Central News Agency)

Artistic Performance Given in Honour, of Russian President Vladimir Vladimirovich Putin

A grand artistic performance was given at the Pyongyang Indoor Stadium on June 19 in honour of Vladimir Vladimirovich Putin, president of the Russian Federation, on a state visit to the DPRK in order to deepen the ties of friendship between the two countries.

Kim Jong Un, general secretary of the Workers' Party of Korea and president of the State Affairs of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, enjoyed the performance together with Vladimir Vladimirovich Putin, president of the Russian Federation.

Kim Jong Un greeted Putin at the plaza of the Pyongyang Indoor Stadium.

When Kim Jong Un appeared at the auditorium together with Putin, all the participants paid the highest tribute to the two leaders who have put the sacred cause for the common well - being, development and prosperity of the DPRK and Russia and the peoples of the two countries, and genuine international justice and peace, on a new strategic stage, and are confidently leading them along the road resplendent with victory.

Present there at invitation were Foreign Minister of the Russian Federation Sergei Lavrov, First Deputy Prime Minister Denis Mantrov, Deputy Prime Minister Alexandr Nobak, Deputy Head of the Presidential Administration and President's

Press Secretary Dmitri Peskov, Aide to the President of Russia for Foreign Policy Yuri Ushakov, Minister of Defense Andrei Beloussov, Minister of Natural Resources and Ecology and Chairman of the Russian Side of the Russia-DPRK Inter-Governmental Committee for Cooperation in Trade, Economy, Science and Technology Alexandr Kozlov, Minister of Health Mikhail Murashuko, Minister of Transport Roman Starovoyt and other members of the Russian president's entourage, and Russian Ambassador to the DPRK Alexandr Matsegora and staff members of the Russian embassy.

Among the audience were Kim Tok Hun, vice-president of the State Affairs Commission of the DPRK and premier of the Cabinet, Choe Ryong Hae, first vice-president of the State Affairs Commission of the DPRK and chairman of the Standing Committee of the Supreme People's Assembly, Choe Son Hui, foreign minister of the DPRK, secretaries of the WPK Central Committee, other senior officials of the Party, government and military, officials of the WPK Central Committee, ministries and national agencies, Pyongyangites, youth and students.
The national anthems of the Russian Federation and the DPRK were played.

Put on the stage of the performance, which began with a ceremony of the combined military band, were numbers reflecting the revolutionary mettle, noble patriotic spirit and national emotion of the peoples of the DPRK and Russia, which had been fully displayed in the sacred decades for overcoming all challenges of history and defending justice and truth.

The performers sang in high praises of the prestige of the heroic Korean people who are carrying out the great cause of building a prosperous country with powerful armed forces, demonstrating their dignity with independence and achieving epoch-making victories and great changes by dint of self - reliance and self - defence under the guidance of the great Workers' Party of Korea.

The audience was touched by the famous songs of Russia truthfully representing the Russian people's true patriotism, devotion to their country and strong desire to build a prosperous and powerful state without fail.

The Russian song *'The Sacred War'*, by a male chorus, served as a militant encouragement to the army and people of Russia who are displaying matchless bravery and patriotism in the struggle to firmly defend the inviolable dignity, sovereign right, security, development and interests of the country under the leadership of Putin.

The audience waved the national flags of the two countries and cheered to the tune of the beautiful and elegant melodies and dance rhythms, expressing their deep reverence for the dear guest from the friendly neighbouring country.

A portrait of Comrade Putin, who is energetically leading the building of a strong Russia while uniting society and people with his experienced political ability and iron will and boosting the national strength, was projected onto the backdrop.

The performance elicited loud applause from the audience as it represented the invincibility of the common ideal and cause of the peoples of the two countries and their feelings of friendship.

Kim Jong Un and Putin had a floral basket presented to the performers in congratulation of their successful performance.

Expressing his impressions of the wonderful performance, Putin requested Kim Jong Un to convey his kind regards to the performers.

The audience was deeply impressed by the performance as it gave a vivid artistic description of the friendly feelings of the people of the DPRK towards Putin and the fraternal Russian people.

(Pyongyang, June 20, Juche 113
Korean Central News Agency)

Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Strengthens Its Self - Defensive Military Capabilities

The Democratic People's Republic of Korea is further strengthening its self - defensive military capabilities.

Reportedly, following a series of missile test fires this year, it conducted on May 17 another successful test fire of a tactical ballistic missile, which employed a new autonomous navigation system.

A newly - developed submarine - launched strategic cruise missile, *'Pulhwasal - 3 - 31'* is test - fired in January

A tactical ballistic missile, which employed a new autonomous navigation system, blasts off in a test fire

A test fire of a new - type surface - to - sea missile *'Padasuri - 6'* in February

A test fire of a new - type intermediate - range hypersonic missile in April

(Korean Publication Exchange Association)

DPRK Ushers In a New Era of Comprehensive Development of Socialism

If one hears the voices ringing out of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, they can feel that the whole society is filled with the spirit of advance and a lively atmosphere.

As its people say, the country has ushered in an era of comprehensive development of socialism.

Let's analyze the meaning.

First, all sectors including the economy, culture, and national defence are developing simultaneously.

It is needless to discuss here that the country has entered the ranks of the world's military powers on its own terms.

In the economic field in 2023, it attained all the 12 goals for national economic development, including grain, rolled steel and cement production. Compared with 2020, before the Eighth Congress of the Workers' Party of Korea, it remarkably boosted the production of pig iron, machine tools, fertilizers and other major items, increasing the GDP by 1.4 times.

In the cultural field, too, a radical improvement was made in education in the new

century, aimed at turning the country into a talent power, an educational power; the material and technical foundations of the public health sector were strengthened, and successes were achieved at international sports games.

It can be said that the phrase *One particular sector leads and the others develop behind* cannot be heard anywhere in the country.

Second, not only the capital city but also the regions are undergoing transformation simultaneously.

It is well known that in recent years 10 000 flats were built every year in Pyongyang.

At the same time, renovating the rural communities in different parts of the country has been conducted on an extensive scale since 2022.

Construction of a new mountain gorge city in the Komdok area is at its final stage.

The Regional Development 20 × 10 Policy was set forth for a simultaneous, balanced and rapid development of the country, with the result that modernizing the regional - industry factories in 20 counties in different parts of the country every year for ten years is going full steam ahead.

Building a large modern greenhouse farm and general hospital in each province is being carried out in a three - dimensional way or is under plan.

Third, a great change is being brought about not only in urban and rural areas, mountains and rivers but also in the ideological and spiritual traits of the people.

An important feature of the country in 2023 is that the people's patriotic enthusiasm was greatly enhanced, and a mass movement of patriotism was launched on a wide scale.

The movement for increasing production of coal and fertilizer out of patriotism and rendering assistance to the major construction sites were conducted on a mass basis, and young people, in particular, actively volunteered to work at challenging and labour - consuming sectors of socialist construction.

According to data available, their number amounted to more than 100 000.

It is reported that in the first month of this year alone more than 6 000 young people volunteered to work at the major sectors of the economy.

(Korean Publication Exchange Association)

DPRK Tops Women's Weightlifting World Records List

The women weightlifters from the Democratic People's Republic of Korea have been thrust into the limelight at international tournaments.

The official women's event sponsored by the International Weightlifting Federation is divided into 10 categories based on body weight, each of which has respective world records in snatch, jerk and total.

In other words, there are to be 30 world records put together, but some categories like the 87kg one have seen no world - record holders as no one has ever broken the records set by the IWF.

As of the 2024 Asian Weightlifting Championships, the Korean women retained 12 world records, but the number has grown to 13 with Won Hyon Sim renewing the 45kg category jerk record at the 2024 IWF World Cup.

At present, the DPRK tops the list of the women's weightlifting world records.

To tell the world records retained by Korean women, Rim Jong Sim's records remain unbeaten. As a twice Olympic gold medalist, Rim in the 76kg category registered 124kg in snatch and 278kg in total in 2019.

Ri Song Gum holds two world records in the 49kg category with 125kg in jerk and 221kg in total. She broke the world records in succession in jerk, her forte, and total at the 19th Asian Games and the Asian Weightlifting Championships in 2024. She renewed her record in total at the 2024 IWF World Cup, winning the best player prize at the event.

Won Hyon Sim has broken the IWF records in the 45kg category to hold three world records. At the 2024 Asian Weightlifting Championships she established world records in snatch and total, and updated her records at the 2024 IWF World Cup by snatching 87kg and jerking 109kg, a weight that beat the IWF record, with a total of 196kg.

Kang Hyon Gyong's records in the 55kg category are respectively 104kg in snatch, 131kg in jerk and 234kg in total. She set world records in the three events at the 19th Asian Games and bettered the previous records in snatch at the 2024 Asian Weightlifting Championships and in jerk and total at the 2024 IWF World Cup.

Kim Il Gyong keeps her 59kg category snatch record at 111kg, while Ri Suk and Song Kuk Hyang hold jerk records at 146kg and 154kg in the 64kg and 71kg categories respectively.

Team DPRK did not attend any international tournaments for four years since COVID - 19 pandemic broke out in December 2019. Over the years, however, they

trained harder and built up their capacities to provide a guarantee for a leap forward.

The 19th Asian Games in 2023 served as a good occasion for Team DPRK to demonstrate its rapid development and winning edge on the Asian and world front.

In less than seven months after the 19th Asian Games, Team DPRK bagged over 120 medals including 85 golds in international competitions and make remarkable achievements in establishing world records.

Whereas they kept only two before the 19th Asian Games, Korean women weightlifters are now holding 13 world records, taking the lead in the world's weightlifting development.

Such eye - opening achievements were admired by foreign media, experts and spectators alike.

Chinese media described the performance of the 'mysterious team' from the DPRK at the 19th Asian Games as *'unexpected'*, *'overpowering'* and '*dramatic'*. Staff of the IWF and the Asian Weightlifting Federation, as well as experienced experts, said that they hardly expected Team DPRK would be strong as such.

(Naenara.com.kp)

General Secretary Kim Jong Un, and Kangdong Integrated Greenhouse Farm

Recently, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea has built an integrated greenhouse farm in the Kangdong area of its capital city of Pyongyang. The farm is reportedly advanced in terms of intellectualization and intensity in greenhouse vegetable production, and boasts modern, cultural and practical qualities.

Kim Jong Un, general secretary of the Workers' Party of Korea, intends to build modern greenhouse farms in different parts of the country in a bid to improve the people's dietary life.

Accordingly, the country already built the Jungphyong Greenhouse Farm for the sake of the people in North Hamgyong Province with poor conditions for vegetable farming, which was followed by the inauguration of the Ryonpho Greenhouse Farm geared to satisfying the needs of the people in Hamhung City, one of the country's leading industrial areas, and South Hamgyong Province. The Kangdong Integrated Greenhouse Farm is dedicated to Pyongyang citizens.

As he had done with the projects for the Jungphyong and Ryonpho greenhouse farms, Kim Jong Un ensured that an important military base was removed to build the integrated greenhouse farm in Kangdong.

Reportedly, he examined more than 300 layouts, including the master plan and artists' impressions, as well as over 3 280 technical drawings.

As a result, as many as 1 050 greenhouses, production and service buildings, and dwelling houses, with their total floor space amounting to nearly 1.2 million square metres, came into being on an area of over 260 hectares in a matter of one year after the ground was broken.

The DPRK developed and applied world - level facilities and technologies to the construction of the farm.

The DPRK leader made sure that cylindrical and multi - layer cultivation equipment, part of the world trends in greenhouse farming, were introduced and an intelligent integrated manufacturing system was established at a high level to put production on an intensified, concentrated and intelligent basis.

Under his concern, the Kangdong Integrated Greenhouse Farm came to be built as a land - and labour - saving greenhouse farm of a new generation, with its size and production capacity much larger than those of the Ryonpho Greenhouse Farm.

On the day when the farm was inaugurated and put into operation, he stressed the need to step up the construction of modern and large - scale greenhouses across the country in the future and turn vegetable production into a creation-oriented industry.

The Kangdong Integrated Greenhouse Farm began to supply fresh vegetables to Pyongyang citizens over 10 days after inauguration.

This reveals some facts about General Secretary Kim Jong Un.

First, he gives top priority to the work for the people and spares nothing for them.

It can be additionally proved by some of the ongoing priority tasks, namely the heavily funded construction project for 50 000 flats in Pyongyang, rural houses construction, and the Regional Development 20 × 10 Policy.

Second, he is confidently creating new things in his own way so that they can be on a par with others.

You can easily see through TV and Internet that the DPRK is building structures at world levels by its own efforts.

All the structures are unthinkable apart from his leadership.

Third, he brings about such substantial transformation, not by words or ideal but in reality, and not in the distant future but in his own generation.

Now the DPRK's goals are not to be attained in the future.

Almost every day people are moving into new homes and modern factories are mushrooming in different parts of the country. Kim Jong Un is the architect of this constant transformation favoured by its people.

(Korean Publication Exchange Association)

Kim Tok Hun Inspects Agricultural Field in North Hwanghae Province of DPRK

Kim Tok Hun, member of the Presidium of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea, vice - president of the State Affairs Commission of the DPRK and premier of the Cabinet, inspected the agricultural field in North Hwanghae Province.

Going round Hwangju, Yonthan, Sohung and Singye counties and other areas of the province, he met officials and working people in the agricultural field who are directing all efforts to farming with a single mind to uphold the decision of the plenary meeting of the Party Central Committee with increased grain production, and learned in detail about farming.

He called for properly setting the harvest time in each region in consideration of the ripening rate and weather conditions in conformity with the harvest period of the earlier crops such as wheat and barley and for concentrating manpower and means on timely harvesting without any waste and drying and storing grain well.

He also called for making a good knowledge of growth situation according to their species and paddy rice fields, putting the cultivation including irrigation and fertilization of nutrient solution on a scientific and technological basis and positively introducing advanced farming methods and techniques capable of increasing a high and stable yield under the influence of the disastrous abnormal weather.

He called on the agricultural guidance organs to work out a detailed plan for increasing the production of wheat and barley for next year on the basis of successes, experience and lessons in this year's farming of early crops and properly carry it out from now on and, in particular, to properly introduce high - yielding species.

He stressed the importance of pushing ahead with the stepwise and planned work to raise the proportion of mechanization in keeping with the increase of crop production areas in the agricultural sector and of raising the enthusiasm of agricultural workers for production and improving the management in a methodological way by taking into account the actual conditions in the relevant areas and units.

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Korean Central News Agency)

KCNA Report on Attainment of This Year's Irrigation Project Goal

The Korean Central News Agency Tuesday released a report on the fact that the irrigation project goal for this year was attained ahead of schedule and a solid guarantee was provided to perfect the overall irrigation system.

According to the report, this year's plan for irrigation of paddy and non - paddy fields was carried out ahead of schedule and the projects for improving rivers, repairing embankments and perpetuating tide - water control dykes were mainly

completed in the course of the vigorous struggle for implementing the decisions of the Workers' Party of Korea, thus opening up a sure prospect for perfecting the overall irrigation system and achieving stable and sustainable agricultural development.

Officials, working people and service personnel across the country completed the irrigation projects for more than 236 000 hectares of paddy and non-paddy fields, including the construction of at least 4 000 water pumping stations, laying pipes on the area spanning 3 500 - odd kilometers, construction of 7 500 - odd groundwater facilities, construction of 2 100 - odd irrigation facilities and their capacity expansion and the construction and repair of 16 700 - odd kilometers of waterways, on the basis of last year's successes and experience.

In particular, irrigation facilities were updated and various irrigation methods were applied to at least 60 000 hectares of non-paddy fields with the main stress on the areas damaged by drought just like last year, thus providing a guarantee for safe yield in relevant areas under abnormal weather including drought and high temperature.

The WPK, which set the completion of the overall irrigation system as a primary task in ensuring the stable development of agriculture, advanced the goal of irrigation construction for the period to 2025 at the Fourth Plenary Meeting of its Eighth Central Committee and has pushed ahead with the work to attain the goal through a grand nature - remaking project in a bold way.

The wise guidance of the respected Comrade Kim Jong Un, who took all measures for the readjustment and reinforcement of the irrigation system and energetically led the work to powerfully accelerate it involving the whole Party, was the driving force that made it possible to perform fresh miracles and feats in the irrigation construction of the country this year, too, as the same as last year.

The struggle to attain the goal of irrigation construction ahead of schedule under the slogan *'Unite with Patriotism!'* was launched on farm fields across the country.

After working out innovative project plan, the central irrigation construction control team has carried on vigorous operations and guidance while giving priority to the production of equipment and supply of materials and strictly reviewing the work to implement the construction plan and taking necessary measures.

A nationwide demonstration lecture on dry - field irrigation was conducted in Unchon County and similar lectures were substantially organized in all provinces.

Officials and working people stepped up major projects in the spirit of self - reliance with indomitable will.

An irrigation project was accelerated in South Hwanghae Province.

Thanks to the efforts of officials and working people involved in the project for using water of Lake Kangryong, 800 cubic meters of earth were removed on a daily average.

The province finished the project for repairing 30 - odd kilometers of waterway and building 20-odd open channels and structures while giving priority to securing aggregate necessary for the expansion of the Ryongmaedo Waterway.

North Phyongan Province pushed ahead with the project for expanding the waterway of the Woldo Tideland through the army - civilian coordinated operation.

More than 1 400 cubic meters of concrete tamping was completed in ten days amid the mounting enthusiasm for socialist emulation among construction units. And the construction of waterways extending tens of kms and 30 - odd structures was finished.

Nampho Municipality made progress in major projects by concentrating efforts and means on them.

It organized a powerful construction force for the pipe - burying project of the Ryonggang arterial waterway. It finished the removal of more than 1 000 cubic meters of earth, the cofferdam project and the dismantlement of buried pipes in a short span of time by raising the operation rate of construction equipment, and shortened the period of manufacture of iron pipes by tens of days.

A project to expand the capacity of the West Sea Barrage - South Phyongan Provincial inland waterway was completed earlier before farming season.

The construction of pumping stations and the laying of pipes for dry - field irrigation was accelerated in different parts of the country and the construction of underground water facilities and waterways was hastened on a full scale.

Thanks to the devoted efforts of officials and working people, the irrigation project for at least 236 000 hectares of paddy and non - paddy fields was successfully completed till early May to ensure safer farming.

Irrigation builders across the country are now pushing ahead with the improvement of 1 400 kilometers of rivers, the repair of 1 800 kilometers of embankments and the construction of anti - tidal dykes extending scores of kilometers at the final stage.

A joint innovation was made in the work to supply sufficient equipment and materials needed for this year's irrigation project, too.

The Cabinet, the State Planning Commission, the Ministry of Finance, the Central Bank, the Ministry of Machine - Building Industry, the Ministry of Metallurgical Industry, the Ministry of Construction and Building - Materials Industry, the

Ministry of Electric Power Industry and other relevant sectors and units have fulfilled their responsibility and role to preferentially supply materials and equipment needed for irrigation project in time.

Many officials and working people have conducted brisk shock-brigade and agitation campaigns while giving material assistance and paying sincere efforts to the irrigation construction.

The report stressed that the attainment of the goal for irrigation of hundreds of thousands of hectares of paddy and non - paddy fields, recorded again in the history of socialist rural construction on the threshold of the Tenth Plenary Meeting of the Eighth Party Central Committee, is a miraculous result achieved under the wise leadership of the respected Comrade Kim Jong Un who has worked heart and soul to realize the communist ideal earlier through rural development.

(Pyongyang, June 12, Juche 113
Korean Central News Agency)

Participants in Celebrations,

of 78th KCU Birthday Visit Mangyongdae

The participants in the celebrations of the 78th founding anniversary of the Korean Children's Union visited Mangyongdae, a historic sacred place of the revolution.

They went to the native home where President Kim Il Sung was born and spent his childhood. Looking at the historic relics preserved at the home, they recollected

once again the revolutionary career of the President, who embarked upon the road of revolution in his early years, achieved the historic cause of national liberation and devoted his whole life to the happiness and rosy future of the rising generations.

They also visited the Revolutionary Martyrs Cemetery on Mt Taesong and renewed their will to give steady continuity to the generation of revolution and patriotism by following the fighting spirit of the forerunners.

At the Youth Movement Museum, they looked round historic relics and data showing the exploits of the peerlessly great men who gave origin to the Juche-based children's movement and trained a large unit of young revolutionaries with warm love and affection.

They visited the Victorious Fatherland Liberation War Museum and the Fatherland Liberation War Martyrs Cemetery to grasp the spirit of defending the country displayed by the heroic generation who provided the DPRK's great tradition of victory.

The participants toured the Central Zoo, the Natural History Museum, etc. and enjoyed a circus performance given by the National Acrobatic Troupe at the Pyongyang Circus Theatre. And they spent a good time at the Munsu Water Park, Rungna People's Pleasure Park and other leisure complexes.

(Pyongyang, June 9, Juche 113
Korean Central News Agency)

Sojourn of Russian Youth Friendship Delegation in Pyongyang

A Russian youth friendship delegation led by Grigory Petushkov, chairman of the National Council of the Russian Association of Youth and Children, visited the Youth Movement Museum.

Its members looked round photos and mementoes dealing with the exploits performed by President Kim Il Sung, Chairman Kim Jong Il and the respected Comrade Kim Jong Un for the development of the Juche-oriented youth movement and data showing the feats of the young vanguard.

The delegation also toured Kim Il Sung University, the Tower of the Juche Idea, the International Friendship Exhibition House, the Victorious Fatherland Liberation War Museum, Jonwi Street, Rimhung Street, etc.

(Pyongyang, June 7, Juche 113
Korean Central News Agency)

SOUTH KOREA NEWS

93rd Candlelight Rally Staged in Puppet ROK

Mounting in the puppet ROK is the public wrath towards puppet Yoon Suk Yeol who has been hell - bent on nuclear war drills, pursuant to the U.S. policy for hegemony, and made desperate efforts to stay in power while brandishing the prosecution's dictatorship.

The Progressive Federation of Students called a press conference outside the puppet presidential office in Seoul on June 6 to denounce Yoon for seeking to bring a war by escalating the tensions.

The People's Action, the Confederation of Trade Unions and other public organizations held an emergency candlelight rally in Seoul on June 7 to condemn Yoon's reckless confrontation moves.

The struggle of people from all walks of life demanding the impeachment of Yoon was further intensified with the 93rd candlelight rally and demonstration in Seoul on June 8 as a momentum.

At the rally held on the theme of *'Let us overthrow the Yoon Suk Yeol group who are not humans!'*, the participants showed their anger at Yoon's crimes.

They said that Yoon is the enemy of security as he has got hell - bent on dangerous war drills and this war maniac should be ousted at once to defend peace.

Then the participants marched past, holding a large placard reading *'Let us overthrow the Yoon Suk Yeol party who are not humans!'*.

Meanwhile, a memorial service took place on the same day for those who died a grievous death due to the murderous misrule of Yoon.

Media of the puppet ROK reported that the public candlelight struggle is growing stronger with each passing day only to impeach Yoon.

(Pyongyang, June 11th, Juche 113
Korean Central News Agency)

Public Candlelight Demonstration Continues in Puppet ROK

The puppet ROK is swept by public candlelight demonstrations against Yoon Suk Yeol's warmongering as a stooge of the U.S. and Japan.

The 94th and 95th candlelight rallies and demonstrations demanding the impeachment of puppet Yoon, a pro - U.S. and pro - Japanese war maniac and lunatic fascist dictator, were staged in Seoul on June 15 and 22.

Earlier, there took place anti - U.S., anti - war and anti - Yoon emergency protest rallies of civic and public organizations in different parts of Seoul.

At the rallies, speakers denounced Yoon for having driven the people's life to the edge of a precipice through the moves for provoking a nuclear war, adding that the ROK - U.S. joint drill and the ROK - U.S. - Japan joint drill to be soon kicked off will further escalate the danger of a nuclear war.

It is as clear as noonday that the expansion of military drills for a preemptive nuclear attack with the U.S. nuclear strategic assets involved will aggravate military tensions, they noted, saying ever-worsening hostility will lead to a military conflict and war. Condemning Yoon for bringing the danger of war to the people already suffering from destitution, they called on the public to go all out for preventing the nuclear war.

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Amid the ever - growing anti - war social atmosphere for impeaching Yoon, many people came out to take part in the 94th and 95th candlelight rallies, where they bitterly denounced Yoon for finding a way out in the frequent military drills with the U.S. and Japan for igniting a war of aggression.

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(Pyongyang, June 25th, Juche 113
Korean Central News Agency)

South Korea Factory Fire Kills 22

According to Reuters, on Monday 24th of June a Lithium battery factory in Hwaesong, south Korea caught fire killing 22 workers, The factory was a three-storey building with a reinforced concrete structure and a gross floor area of more than 2,300 square metres. Approximately 35,000 lithium batteries were estimated to be stored on the second floor.

A local fire chief in south Korea quoted by different media outlets said that *'those found dead likely failed to escape via stairs to the ground.'*

South Korea has one of the highest industrial accident rates in the world. The fire at the battery fire in Hwaesong was just one of a long line of industrial disasters in south Korea. South Korea has the longest working hours in the world and recently decided to increase the working day to 20 hours.

Of course the pro - imperialist human rights shut their eyes to the real nature of south Korea which is a deeply exploitative society where workers have no rights. Instead they denounce imaginary and non - existent *'human rights violations'* in People's Korea.

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DPRK Rubbish Balloons Disrupt South Korean Airport

According to the south Korean media and Western mainstream media reports Inchon International Airport in south Korea was closed for 3 hours on the morning of the 26th of June because of balloons carrying rubbish that was allegedly sent from the DPRK.

If the report is true, then this is a victory for the DPRK!

Of course if south Korea does not want the DPRK to send balloons carrying rubbish into south Korea then they should not send balloons filled with rubbish into the DPRK. South Korea only has itself to blame for the incident.

(Dr Dermot Hudson, Deputy Editor / Reviewer 'PKT',
General Chairman KFA UK)

Samjiyon Schoolchildren's Palace

The Samjiyon Schoolchildren's Palace in the center of Samjiyon City was originally opened in 1974 and renovated in 2006. This extra - curricular base in the beautiful alpine region has many rooms for art, sports and scientific study groups as well as an auditorium and gymnasium.

(Paektu Solidarity Alliance)

Many a Little Makes a Mickle

Active efforts are made in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea to conclude this year successfully as a proud year of victory and more and more units strive to save even a watt of electricity, the basic power of the economy.

The Rangnang Disabled Soldiers' Essential Plastic Goods Factory is one of those units saving a lot of electricity while overfulfilling their assignments under the national economic plan every year.

Chief Engineer Kim Tuk Su says: *'Our factory produces plastic goods. 80 percent of equipment we use is electric heating equipment including injection - remoulding and moulding machines. The heating time has to be shortened to save electricity. We rebuilt the open production process into the closed one. As a result, we could save electricity about 15 percent by shortening the heating time by half'*.

Besides, the factory has organized alternative production of work teams and at machines in a rational way to reduce the power load and increase the effectiveness of the production.

The Malgunachim Electric and Electronic Goods Manufactory has recently developed a power factor compensating device and introduced it into different production units. Actually, if the power factor is raised one percent on a nationwide scale, reserve for economization can be got, which is equivalent to the construction of a big power plant.

Official Kim Song Il says: *'We use new condenser when making the automatic power factor compensating device. On the other hand, we recycle electrostatic condensers kept idle at factories and enterprises and those units which introduced them have less installation costs and benefit from the technology for safe operation'*.

The Pyongyang Taedonggang Fish Restaurant produces electricity by itself.

The restaurant built solar power generation system in a wide area of its roof. It produces hundreds of kilowatts of electricity a day for business activities.

There is a saying that many a little makes a mickle. All the units take an active part in the work for saving electricity with the consciousness that every watt of electricity is the precious source of creation promoting the advance of the country.

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'This is the work place, vistited by Chairman Kim Jong Il' - Tong Yok Ok, Chief of Jongno Soft Drinks

Our Jongno Soft Drinks is well - known to the capital citizens as it renders diverse and peculiar services to its customers.

We could make such success because we have conducted our service activities true to the instructions of the great leader Kim Jong Il.

In retrospect, Kim Jong Il visited our restaurant three times in 1962 alone. He learned about our service activities in detail and gave important instructions on serving the people with various kinds of soft drinks along with traditional foods.

That's why every December we look back with deep emotion upon his immortal leadership exploits with ardent yearning for him.

Every time we feel a great pride of working at the restaurant visited by him and harden our determination to carry through his instructions.

With the pride and determination, we are working harder and harder to make the people feel his warm love. While serving the customers with the Taedonggang Beer popular among people, we have furnished our restaurant with necessary equipment to make ice creams and various kinds of shaved ice, punch and vinegarish drinks with different kinds of fruits for the capital citizens. At the time when we can get different kinds of medicinal materials such as fruit of Schizandra chinensis, thorny ginseng and barrenwort, we secure a lot of raw materials to make various sorts of tea.

True to the noble intention of Kim Jong Il, we serve lots of traditional foods like fruit punch, raw rice wine, sweet fried cakes and sesame patterned savory cakes.

We also streamlined or purchased equipment such as kneader, laying a firm material foundation for making any kind of bread as demanded by our customers.

In those days we made good soft drinks and traditional foods of various kinds with

our speculation and passion. And in the course, we could take the first place in a national cooking contest.

We are now making positive efforts for our good service activities, telling the people about the noble love of Kim Jong Il who instructed us to serve them with a larger quantity of refreshing and tasty soft drinks.

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Workers Sanatorium Inaugurated, at Nahung Youth Chemical Complex

The Namhung Youth Chemical Complex has built a new workers' sanatorium.

The sanatorium, built in a peculiar way by thoroughly applying the Workers' Party of Korea's idea on architectural aesthetics, has all conditions necessary for the living of workers including bedrooms, treatment rooms, entertainment hall, restaurants and outdoor resting places.

The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un visited the Namhung Youth Chemical Complex and gave an important instruction on improving the supply service with a correct viewpoint on the workers, the masters of production, saying with great satisfaction that the supply service is perfect and all conditions for rest and living are perfect.

Its inaugural ceremony took place on December 21st. last year 112 Juche.

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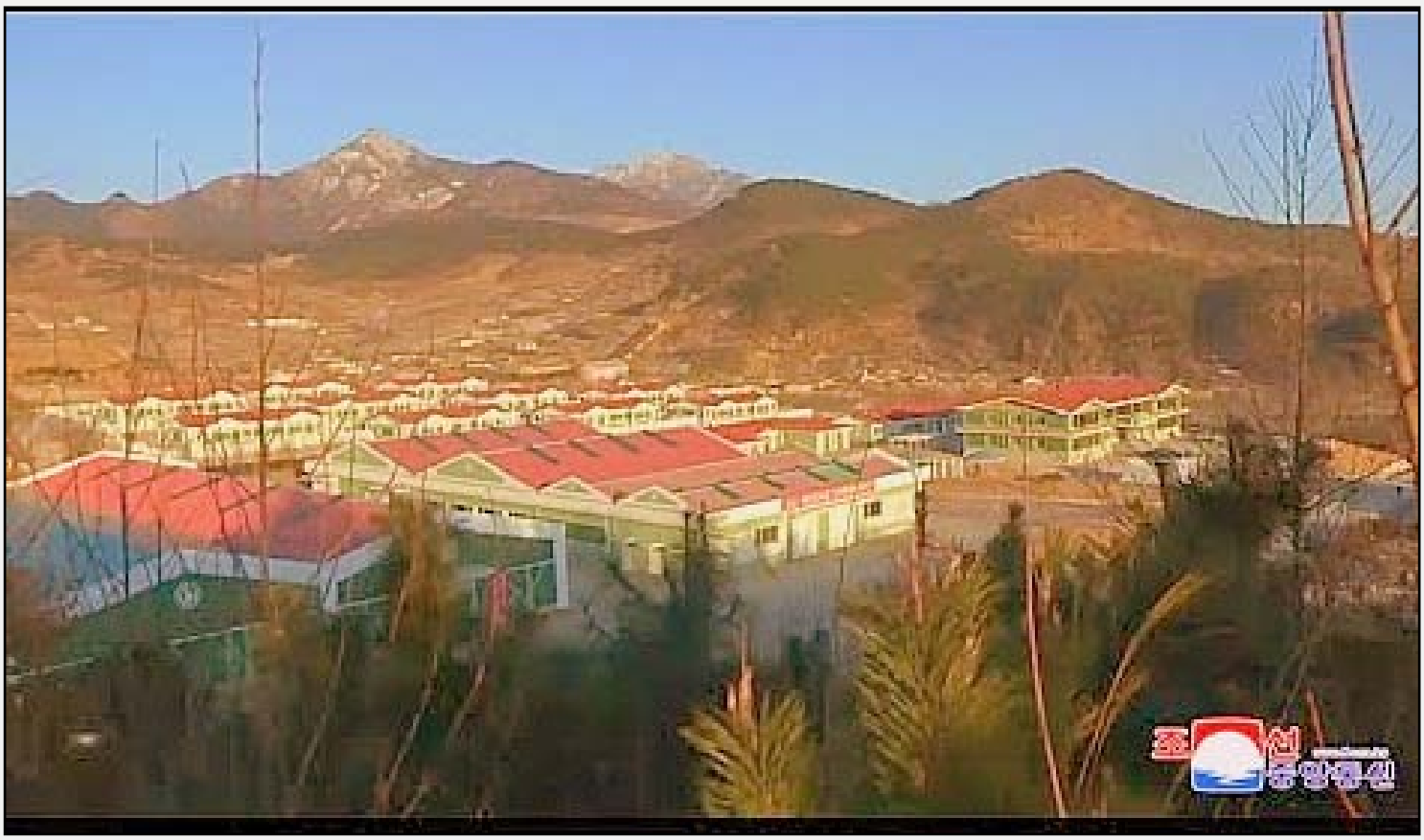
A tree nursery was newly built, in South Hwanghae Province of the DPRK



The construction of a modern provincial tree nursery with enough material and technical foundations for putting the sapling production on a scientific, industrial and intensive basis will help further accelerate the work for covering the province with trees and flowers.

An inaugural ceremony took place on the spot on December 23rd of Juche 112.

Present there were Pak Thae Dok, chief secretary of the South Hwanghae Provincial Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea, officials and builders in the province and employees of the tree nursery.

Kim Yong Chol, chairman of the South Hwanghae Provincial People's Committee, made an inaugural address.

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KIM IL SUNG

'With The Century'

'The Years of Trials'

(May 1932 - February 1933)

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' Together with the National Salvation Army'

When we were staying in Liuhe, I dispatched a liaison officer to the Panshi area to establish contact with Ri Hong Gwang and Ri Tong Gwang. At the time when we were returning from our south Manchurian expedition, they were waging a guerrilla war. The Armed Red Guard (another name for it was the dog - hunting troop) which they had formed after the September 18 incident in order to fight against the stooges of the "defending - people society" and other pro - Japanese organizations was reformed into the Panshi Worker - Peasant Volunteers in September 1932. This volunteer unit was made up of young Koreans who had been tested and trained through mass struggles of different forms such as seizing food from the enemy, punishing stooges and capturing weapons, as well as through anti - Japanese uprisings. Since the summer of 1932 Ri Hong Gwang and Ri Tong Gwang had struggled to establish anti - Japanese guerrilla zones.

They displayed great ability particularly in the struggle to punish stooges, and were much talked about.

I wanted to meet them, not to pay a courtesy call on them, the masters of south Manchuria, and exchange greetings, but to discuss our views. Above all, I hoped we would swap fighting experience.

My next concern was what view and attitude they had concerning the prospects for the Korean revolution. I wanted to inform them of my views and attitude on the immediate tasks facing the Korean communists and to hear their opinions.

What was most important was to discuss with them practical matters on how the Korean communists who had launched an armed struggle scattered across Manchuria should keep in contact, how they should effect coordination and how they should realize cooperation, concerted action and joint operations. I also wanted to discuss such matters with Kim Chaek, Choe Yong Gon, Ri Hak Man, Ri Ki Dong and Ho Hyong Sik in north Manchuria. The guerrilla units in south and north Manchuria flanked us. How to cooperate with them was an important factor that would greatly affect the development of the armed struggle as a whole.

The liaison officer who had been to Panshi returned to the unit when we were staying in Mengjiang after leaving Hailong. He reported to me that he had failed to meet Ri Hong Gwang and Ri Tong Gwang because they were away from their unit, conducting political work in the villages, and that he had left my letter with the underground organization there.

So I put off my meeting with them and concentrated on military and political activities in Mengjiang. The major objective of our operations in this area was to obtain weapons and expand our ranks. To this end, we had to launch military and diplomatic activities along with active political work.

Mengjiang was favourable in several aspects for us in achieving our aim. Many of the officials in Mengjiang were my schoolmates from Yuwen Middle School. They had

been scholarly men who had buried themselves exclusively in studying without conducting any political activities, either Leftist or Rightist, but they now held the reins in Mengjiang. After leaving middle school they had worked in the county office of the Kuomintang and, when Japan invaded Manchuria, joined the self defence army holding high - ranking posts. There was staying in Mengjiang even the representative of the headquarters of the selfdefence army led by Tang Ju - wu which operated in the Tonghua area. So there was the possibility of obtaining weapons by negotiating with the representative through the good offices of my schoolmates. After taking stock of the situation I decided to keep in close touch with the self - defence army in Mengjiang. At that time our commanding officers were not much interested in winning over the self - defence army. Most of them considered it an adventure to have contact with them. They said: The talks with Ryang Se Bong broke down because we have different ideas, though he is a Korean as are we. So it will be totally impossible for us to obtain weapons from the self - defence army. What is worse, the self - defence army is now breaking up. We were told that some units had Japanese instructors in their command structures and were plotting with them to sweep away the communists. So we cannot agree that you, our commander, should walk into such a trap.

I replied to them, "We should not be afraid of Japanese instructors who are entrenched in the self - defence army units. They put out feelers to discover communists, whereas we have courage with which to go into their units, deceiving the Japanese instructors, and talk to the commanding officers of the self defence army. The disrupted nature of the army may favour us in attaining our object. They will consider it better to hand over their weapons to us who are fighting against the Japanese than to the Japanese or bandits or throw them away. We succeeded in our negotiations with even so obstinate a commander as Yu. So, why shouldn't we be able to win over the self - defence army?"

The commanding officers said earnestly: It was by a chance in a thousand that you, Comrade Commander, succeeded in your negotiations with Commander Yu. If Mr. Liu Ben - cao had not been there we would not have been successful. You would do well to think more carefully about going to the self - defence army units.

So I retorted, "Saying that something is right or wrong, sitting in an isolated room without making an attempt, is not a characteristic of communists. True, we owed Mr. Liu a lot in making our guerrilla army legitimate. However, it is unscientific for us to consider our success at that time as mere chance. If we had not made positive efforts to remove the tension in our relations with the national salvation army, Mr. Liu could not have helped us. What is important is to work actively and with courage." With this I left for the headquarters of the self - defence army accompanied by an orderly.

The barracks of the self - defence army were full of soldiers and ox - or horse - drawn carts were frequently going in and out of the gate, carrying military supplies.

At the gate a sentry ordered us to halt and asked in the Shandong dialect, "What brings you here? Who are you?" He was scarcely interested in our faces, but gazed

carefully at our guerrilla uniforms and five - pointed stars on our caps which were totally different from those of the self - defence army.

I replied in Chinese, imitating his Shandong dialect, saying, "We are a detachment of the national salvation army from Antu. I am Detachment Commander Kim Il Sung. I have come here to meet your commander. Take me to him."

"Kim Il Sung? The Kim Il Sung detachment is a communist unit, isn't it?" Another sentry with pockmarks on his face looked at me suspiciously, muttering my name to himself. Apparently he had heard that Kim Il Sung's unit was a communist army.

"We are a detachment serving under Commander Yu. Don't you know Commander Yu?" I asked him.

"Oh, Commander Yu! I know him. His soldiers captured a machine gun from the Japs in Nanhutou. He is a great man," said the sentry with pockmarks on his face proudly, giving us the thumbs up.

Anyhow, our mentioning Commander Yu produced a good result. His name was effective whenever we approached Chinese anti - Japanese troops. So when we were marching we always masqueraded under the cloak of "The Korean detachment of the national salvation army," to avoid encounters with other anti Japanese troops.

Then the sentry who spoke a Shandong dialect went to the barracks and returned with a man of noble bearing. In those days the national salvation army soldiers were dressed in old-style uniforms of Zhang Xue - liang's army. But the officer who had just appeared with the sentry was wearing a short - sleeved shirt, breeches and canvas shoes. His hair was well - oiled and shining brightly.

"Hey! Aren't you the librarian Kim Song Ju?"

It was my schoolmate Zhang from Yuwen Middle School who had been known as "tall Zhang." He called me the librarian because I had been in charge of the library at the school. At school Zhang had been kind to me, calling me "librarian Kim" or "librarian Song Ju."

Holding each other's hands in joy we reminisced about our school days for a good while. It was three years since we had last met. I regretted having left Jilin without saying goodbye to my schoolmates after my release from prison. But it had been unavoidable because I was terribly busy at that time running east and west with a determination to sacrifice all my private affairs for the revolution, but sometimes I felt a weight on my mind because I had been so disrespectful as to have failed to say farewell to the teachers and students at Jilin.

Meeting Zhang reminded me of various events in my days at Jilin Yuwen Middle School which I had almost forgotten, and of the romantism of the students in those days. I felt as if I were standing in the garden of Yuwen Middle School which was

filled with the fragrant smell of lilac, not in the grounds of a barracks where the sound of military boots was heard. It seemed that, if I left the barracks together with Zhang, I would be at Mt. Beishan, enjoying the cool of the River Songhua. This nostalgia made my heart tingle.

Zhang took my arm as he had done at school and guided me to his room laughing aloud frequently.

"I am sorry that your face does not appear in our graduation photograph from school."

As he talked he offered me a seat. "When we had our photograph taken after the leaving ceremony, we talked about librarian Kim. If you had not left school early, you would have won the first prize. Was it that the revolution attracted you to such an extent that you left school early?" I answered his question with a merry joke.

"Of course it did. You were also attracted by the revolution and became an officer in the self - defence army with a Mauser in your belt, I think."

Listening to me, Zhang blinked and patted the back of my hand.

"You are right. Before the September 18 incident we were stupid people who had lived with no knowledge of the world.

Only when we saw the Japanese invading Manchuria did we awake from our sleep."

"That was natural. Do you remember what I said at that time? A man cannot live without politics."

"I didn't listen to you carefully. And I don't see why the situation is changing so radically. This Manchuria is a dreadful sight, a land swept away by a sudden puff of wind."

I thought that Zhang had analysed the situation correctly. The tide of history flowing across Manchuria brought great changes which shook the world. The changes were so cruel as to cause many vicissitudes in the life of the people. A short time before, Zhang himself had had an ambition to study history at Beijing University. But after witnessing the invasion of Manchuria by Japanese troops he abandoned his ambition from his school days and volunteered for the self - defence army. And who could have imagined that Mr. Liu Ben - cao, who had been talked of as a scholar among scholars and who would gently explain the pastoral poems of Du Fu27, would become a chief of staff of the national salvation army and fight against the Japanese in the smoke of gunpowder?

"Look, librarian Kim. I have become a gallant man in uniform owing to the September 18 incident," said Zhang with a sad smile.

"It is not only you who are in military uniform. I, too, have become a soldier and reached Mengjiang. It is not only as schoolmates but also as soldiers that we are discussing the general situation. Isn't it a splendid work of fate?"

He said that it was a "benefit" granted us by the Japanese and that people had become somewhat clever owing to this "benefit." I learned that there were many of my schoolmates from Yuwen Middle School in the self - defence army in Mengjiang. I talked with them until late at night. In our school days they had broken with politics and dreamt only of their careers and fame, but they were now hotly denouncing Japan and branding Jiang Jie - shi as the most terrible monster born of the Chinese nation. Such a change satisfied me.

We discussed joint action between the Anti - Japanese People's guerrilla Army and the self - defence army until late at night. My schoolmates in the leadership of the self - defence army welcomed cooperation with our army. Thus I was able to get deep into the self - defence army and also had an opportunity to meet the representative of its headquarters in Mengjiang.

One day, at the request of Zhang, I made a speech before the commanding officers of the self - defence army. The representative, too, attended the gathering.

I began by appealing to them, "Brothers, let's go together." And I continued my speech as follows:

"The self - defence army and the Anti - Japanese People's Guerrilla Army must make efforts to conduct joint action. Being hostile to the AJPGA, branding it as a communist army, is the way to obstruct the anti - Japanese struggle and help Japan.... The AJPGA and the self - defence army must help the units of the Korean Independence Army and form a united front with them. We must sharpen our vigilance against the plot of the Japanese who are trying to rule over us by driving a wedge between the Korean and Chinese peoples and using their conflict to weaken both of them....

"The self - defence army must persuade the Broad Sword Society, the Red Spear Society and other militia organizations, as well as the bandits, to refrain from murdering and robbing innocent Korean and Chinese people and must enlist them actively in the anti - Japanese struggle. All militia organizations, small and large, must unite into a national salvation force. Some of the Chinese anti - Japanese nationalist army units reveal such deviations as retreating to China proper or surrendering to the enemy, being cowed by the strength of the Japanese troops. We must all remember that surrendering and giving up is the way to self - destruction."

The commanding officers of the self - defence army responded heartily to my speech. Following my speech the representative of the general headquarters handed dozens of weapons over to us.

We stayed for about two months in Mengjiang, and during that time we were able to carry out propaganda work among the masses, conduct military exercises and expand our ranks with presentable young men, under the protection of the self - defence army. When we left Antu, our unit had numbered only 40, but now it was 150. Many young men in Mengjiang and the surrounding area who had been told that

Kim Song Ju had formed a strong army and was now fighting, called on us every day and petitioned us to be allowed to join the guerrilla army. In Mengjiang we worked freely, as if we were in power there.

The liaison officer who had been to Antu said that the situation in east Manchuria was good. From a letter he brought me from Kim Jong Ryong I understood that the rest of our unit, that was staying there, was growing all the time and that a guerrilla unit of more than one hundred men had been formed in each of Wangqing, Yanji and Hunchun.

I decided to move the stage of our activity to the centre (Wangqing) of east Manchuria where the guerrilla war had begun to develop into a full - scale struggle, and to extend the armed struggle there by combining efforts with units in other counties. One important lesson we had drawn from the south Manchurian expedition was that, at the present stage when our strength was weak, it was favourable and efficient to occupy a certain base of activity and wage a struggle by relying on it. We went straight to Antu from Mengjiang without passing through Fusong. On the way our unit met some bandits and the remnants of the defeated Chinese anti - Japanese nationalist units several times. They tried to capture our new rifles because they were envious of them. So we were in danger many times.

At one such time a kind old man who had been connected with Chamui - bu suddenly appeared before us like a magician in a legend and guided us to Liangjiangkou, passing through the mountains. This march was training for us and made us ready for the long - protracted guerrilla war in the future.

When we were about to leave Liangjiangkou, the main force of a regiment under the command of Yu arrived. This regiment was known as Commander Meng's unit. Meng's secretary Chen Han - zhang had also come to Liangjiangkou, with his unit.

When he recognized me, Chen Han - zhang ran towards me shouting with joy, his arms open wide. "Song Ju! It's been so long!"

He threw his arms around my shoulders and turned me round and round as if he were meeting me after dozens of years of separation. I was seeing him for the first time since I separated from him when I had held talks with Commander Yu in Antu. It was a meeting after only three months' separation. But he gazed at me with affection as if the three months had been three decades. This meeting seemed to me to be a miracle taking place after a long separation, so I could not control my swelling emotions. In a man's lifetime three months is a short span of time, but I felt as if a long part of my life had passed in those three months. It is said that if one suffers

many twists and turns one feels the time to be longer. I think this is true.

Chen introduced me to Commander Meng, and said:

"I didn't know where your unit was, so I asked many people about your whereabouts. I was told that you had gone to south Manchuria and back, but I couldn't find you. Fortunately a rumour reached our unit that a Korean communist unit started the merger with an Independence Army unit in Liangjiangkou."

"Thank you, Comrade Chen. I was also anxious to see you. By the way, what brought you here?"

"Wang De - lin ordered us to work in this area until next spring. What about you? Why don't you work together with us for a while in Liangjiangkou?"

Commander Meng, who was listening to Chen, supported his suggestion. I accepted their suggestion gladly in the hope that if we stayed there with them we could consolidate our common front with the national salvation army. Meng's unit was armed with modern weapons because it had deserted from Zhang Xueliang's regular army. This unit had artillery as well as machine guns. It had an incomparably stronger combat ability than other national salvation army units which had only a few rifles, swords and spears as weapons. During our stay in Liangjiangkou, Meng's unit guarded the Anti - Japanese People's Guerrilla Army well.

In those days most of the Chinese anti - Japanese nationalist units collapsed or surrendered in the face of a strong attack by the Japanese troops, and were controlled by them. Only Wang Delin's unit had not surrendered and remained as a great force among the national salvation army units. But even his unit was retreating to Dongning, on the eastern border of Manchuria, or into the Soviet Union where the Japanese gunfire did not reach. The collapse of the Chinese anti - Japanese nationalist army units because of their own impotence caused distrust among our political and military cadres. Some of them said that it was useless to establish a joint front with them because we were in no position to remove the uncertainty and confusion prevailing among them, and others said that the Anti - Japanese People's Guerrilla Army should break its useless ties with them and fight on single-handed. Neither of these opinions could be tolerated.

Abandoning the anti - Japanese allied front meant surrendering a huge armed force to the enemy and falling in with the tactics of the Japanese imperialists to swallow the anti-Japanese nationalist armed units one by one.

The uncertainty and confusion of these units were attributed partly to the class limitation of their upper levels, but mainly to their fear of the enemy. In order to remove their uncertainty and prevent their destruction, it was necessary to work with them more actively and inspire them with confidence in victory by defeating the enemy.

From this pressing need, in Liangjiangkou we convened two meetings of the anti - Japanese soldiers' committee which consisted of Chen Han - zhang, Ri Kwang, Hu Jin-min and other political workers who had been active in the national salvation army units and military and political cadres from different counties of east Manchuria, and at the meetings we discussed the measures to deal with the problems arising in the work with the Chinese anti Japanese units. At the meetings a report on the work in the national salvation army units was given first, experiences accumulated in this process were swapped and the trend in the anti - Japanese nationalist units was analysed.

The people attending the meetings decided to attack Dunhua county town and Emu county town in a joint operation with Wu Yi - cheng's unit and Commander Meng's unit in order to deal a heavy blow to the Japanese who were expanding their occupation without any resistance, with most of the anti - Japanese units having given up their resistance by retreating to safety or surrendering to the enemy and becoming a reactionary army, and thus to raise the morale of the patriotic soldiers and people.

Commander Meng welcomed our plan of action. The two - thousand - strong national salvation army unit was divided into three groups each of which advanced in the directions of the Jilin - Dunhua railway and towards Yanji and Dunhua county town. Our unit, with Commander Meng's unit, arrived in the forest around Dahuanggou south of Dunhua having followed the road east of Fuerhe and the mountain pass east of Dapaoxihe. By dispatching a reconnaissance party to Dunhua county town we confirmed what Ko Jae Rim had told us about the enemy.

At that time there were stationed in Dunhua huge armed forces such as the Japanese garrison, the headquarters of the 3rd Jilin guard brigade of the Manchukuo army and its 4th regiment, 9th regiment and airport guards, the Japanese consulate police and Manchukuo police. The enemy's guard was very strict at every town gate and at the gate of the consulate branch building.

At three a.m., on the second of September, our allied forces launched an attack on Dunhua county town. Our unit attacked the south gate and the national salvation army unit led by Hu Jin - min dashed into the county town through the west and north gates. After breaking into the town our allied units raided the enemy's command post first, destroyed the brigade headquarters, the consulate branch and the police sub - station and dealt with the enemy's units under the brigade. Our forces held the initiative in the battle and the enemy fell into disorder.

To save themselves the enemy called up two planes to strafe and bomb our forces. This caused great confusion among the national salvation army soldiers. If day were to break while we were in this situation the battle would go badly for us and our forces would suffer a great loss. I explained the situation to Chen Han - zhang and Hu Jin - min and made the new tactical proposal that we withdraw from our present position and annihilate the enemy by luring them to somewhere favourable for us.

According to my proposal, our unit took up position on the height southwest of the county town and the national salvation army units on a hill south of Guantunji. There we totally destroyed the enemy in an ambush. Seeing the sudden change in the situation, which they had considered unfavourable, the national salvation army soldiers' morale improved and they chased the fleeing enemy.

The publications in those days did not comment on this battle in particular, apparently because the control of the press by the Japanese authorities was strict. The people did not know that a battle was fought in Dunhua in the early autumn of the 22nd year since national ruin.

The assault on Dunhua county town was similar to the assault on Dongning county town in September 1933. As the former was fought in cooperation with the national salvation army, so the latter, too, was planned and resulted in success as a joint action with the main force of the national salvation army. These two assaults were similar in their scale, too. However, the assault on Dunhua county town was significant because it was the first battle of its kind in the history of the joint struggle of the Korean and Chinese peoples, in which the Anti - Japanese People's Guerrilla Army defeated the Japanese troops in a joint operation with the Chinese anti-Japanese nationalist army.

"The Chinese people totally lost heart in the face of the military power of Japan which had defeated two major powers, Qing and Russia. But today they are free from such old - fashioned thinking. They have achieved a mental release prior to the liberation of their territory," Chen shouted, embracing me. His tearful face at that time is still fresh in my memory.

"Song Ju, let's follow this road together for ever!" he said, grasping my hand. When he said this road he meant the joint struggle. Chen Han - zhang remained faithful to his word until he died in battle.

About a week after this battle we raided Emu county town together with the national salvation army units. Our force was victorious in this battle, too. Though this battle was not well known in the world, the sound of the gunfire rumbled for a long time.

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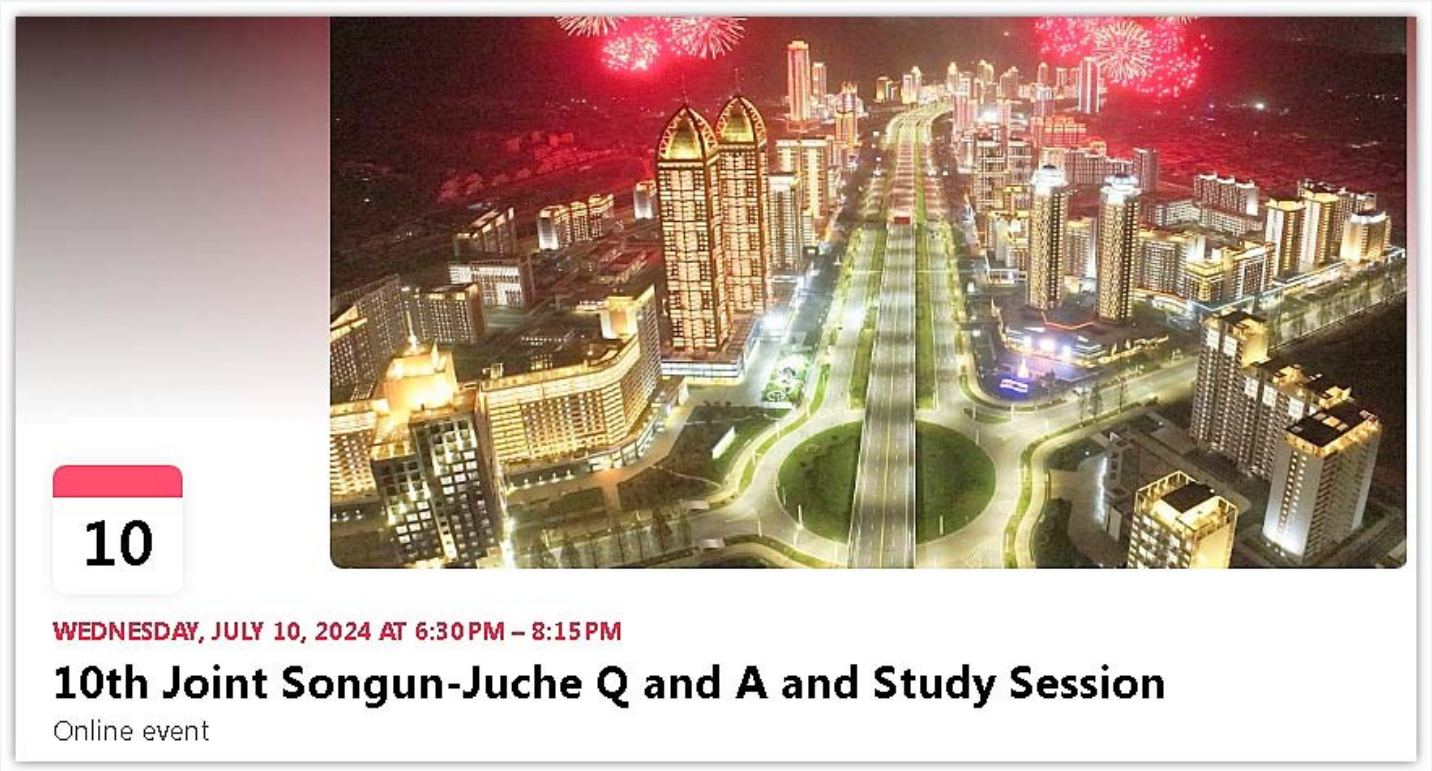

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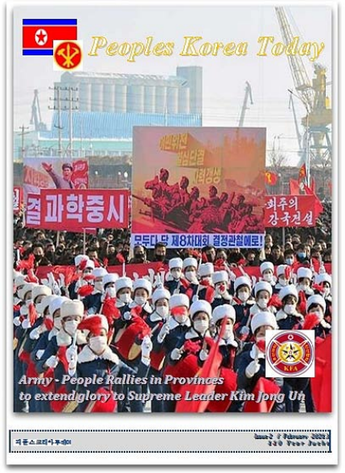

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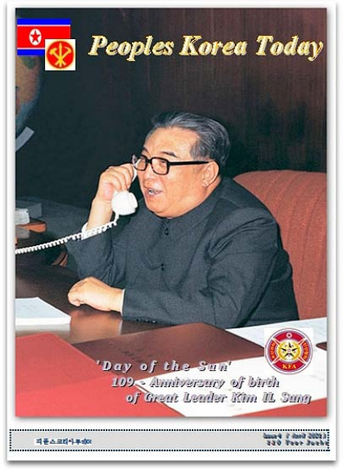

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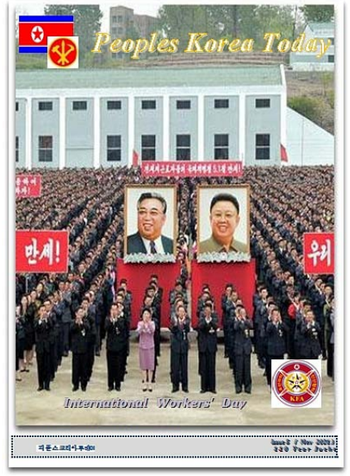

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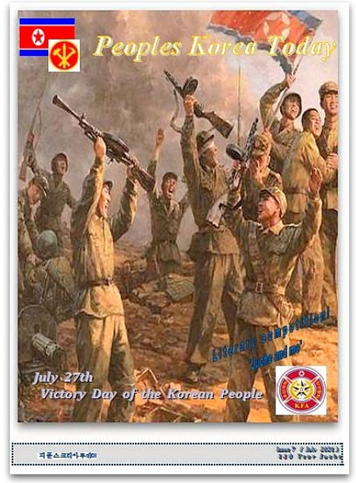

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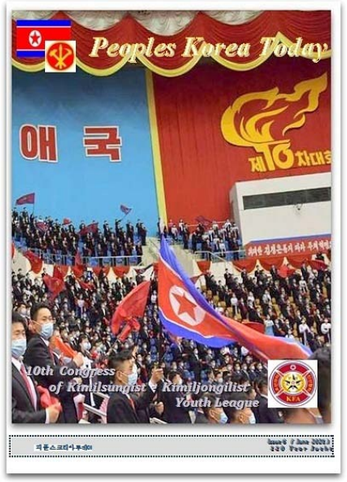

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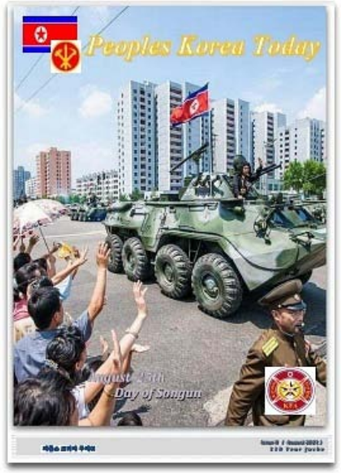

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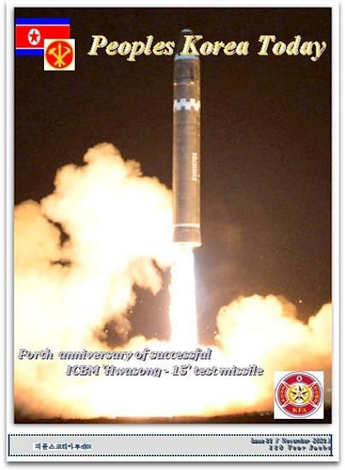

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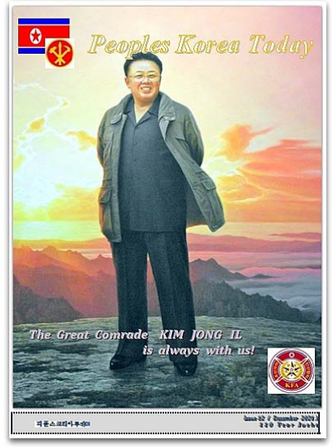

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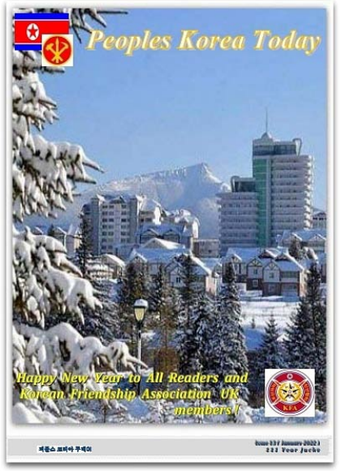

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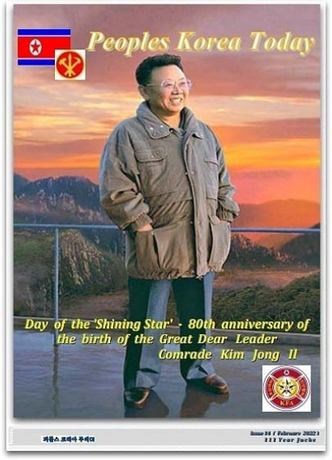

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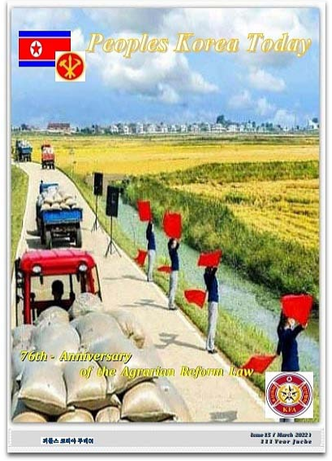

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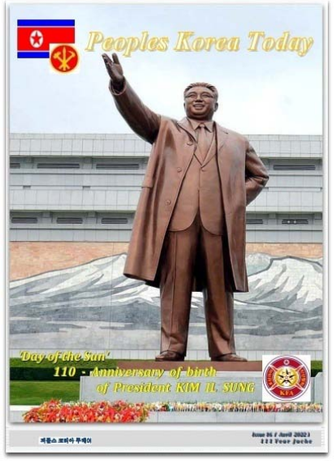

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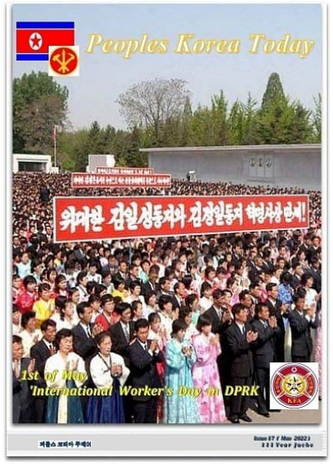

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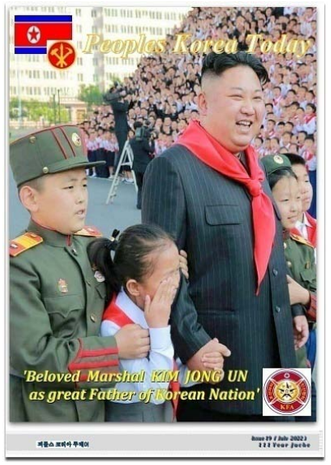

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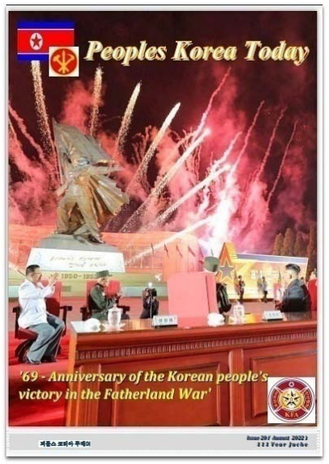

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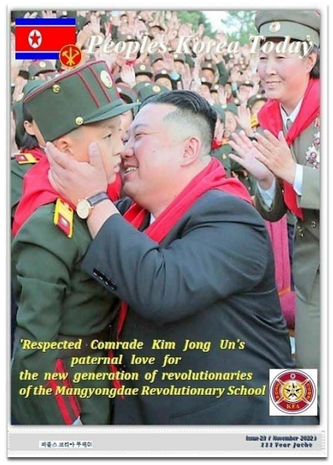

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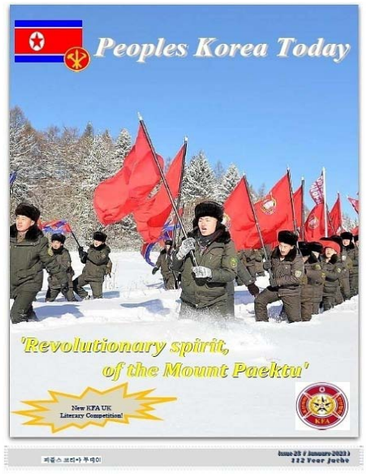

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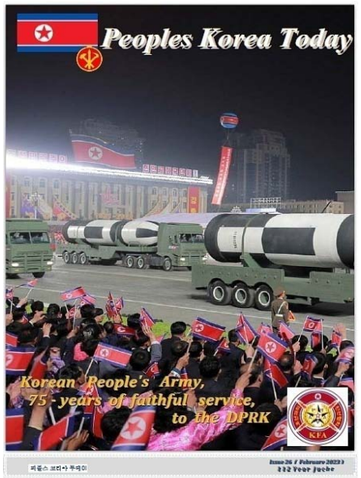

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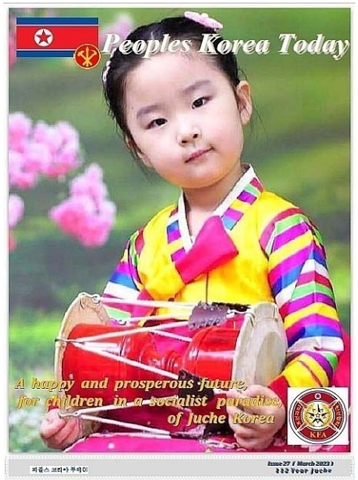

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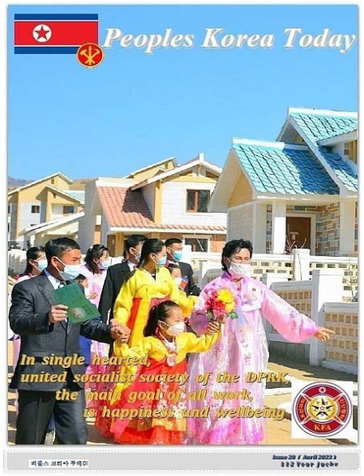

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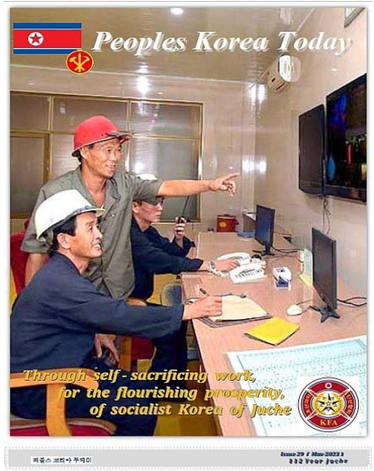

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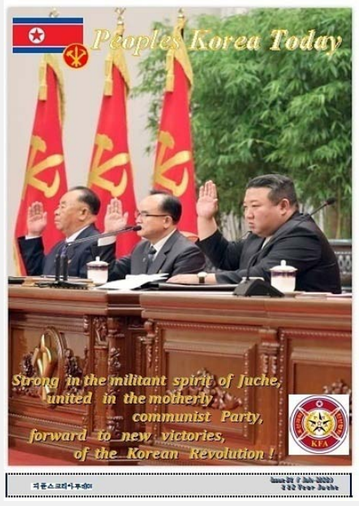

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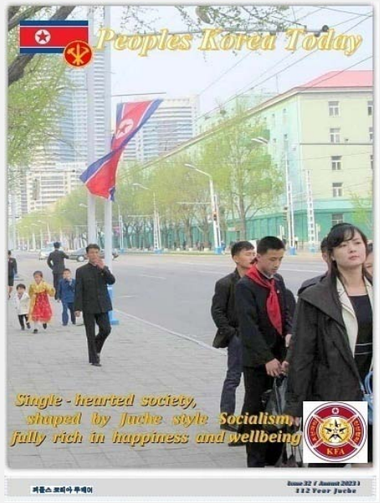

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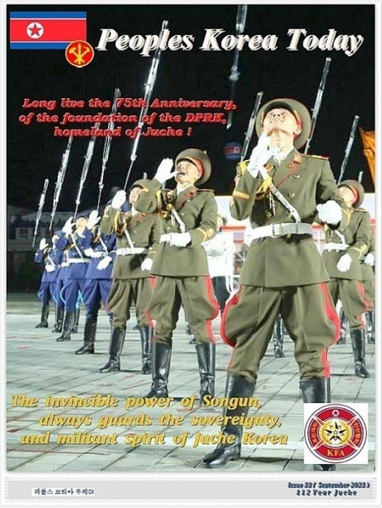

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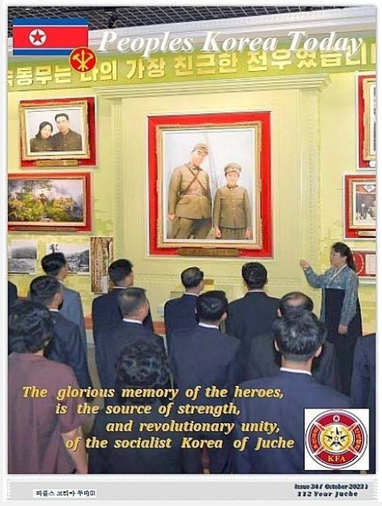

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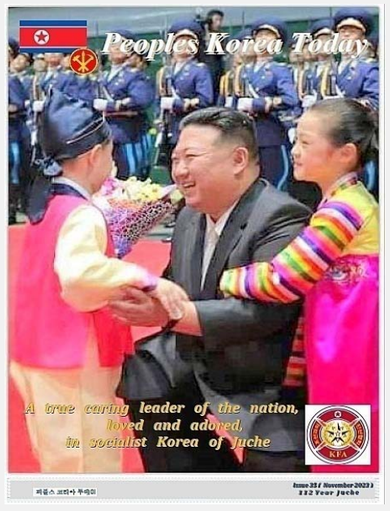

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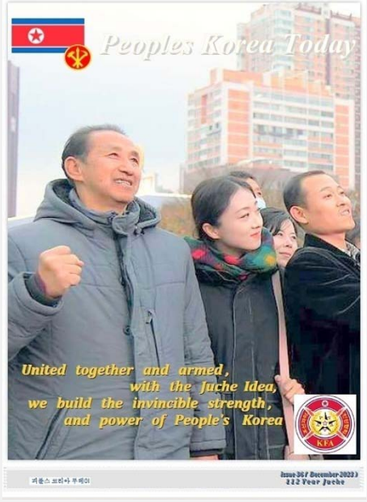

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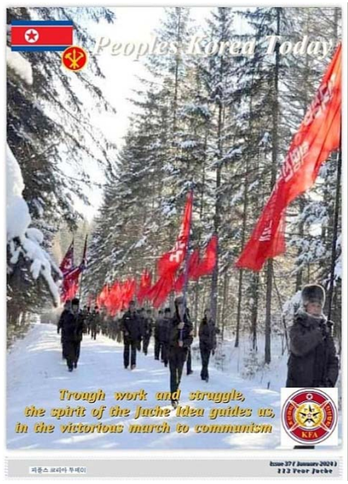

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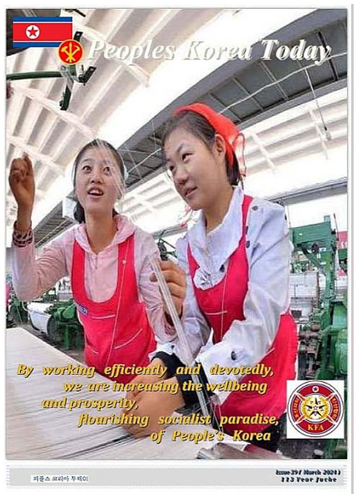

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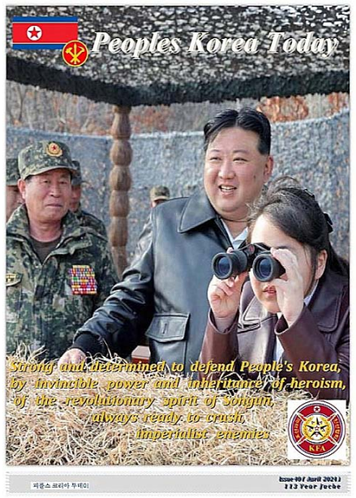

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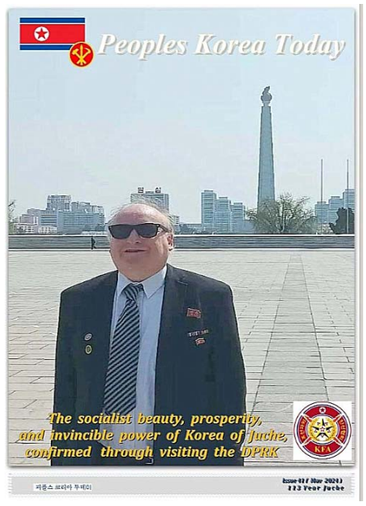

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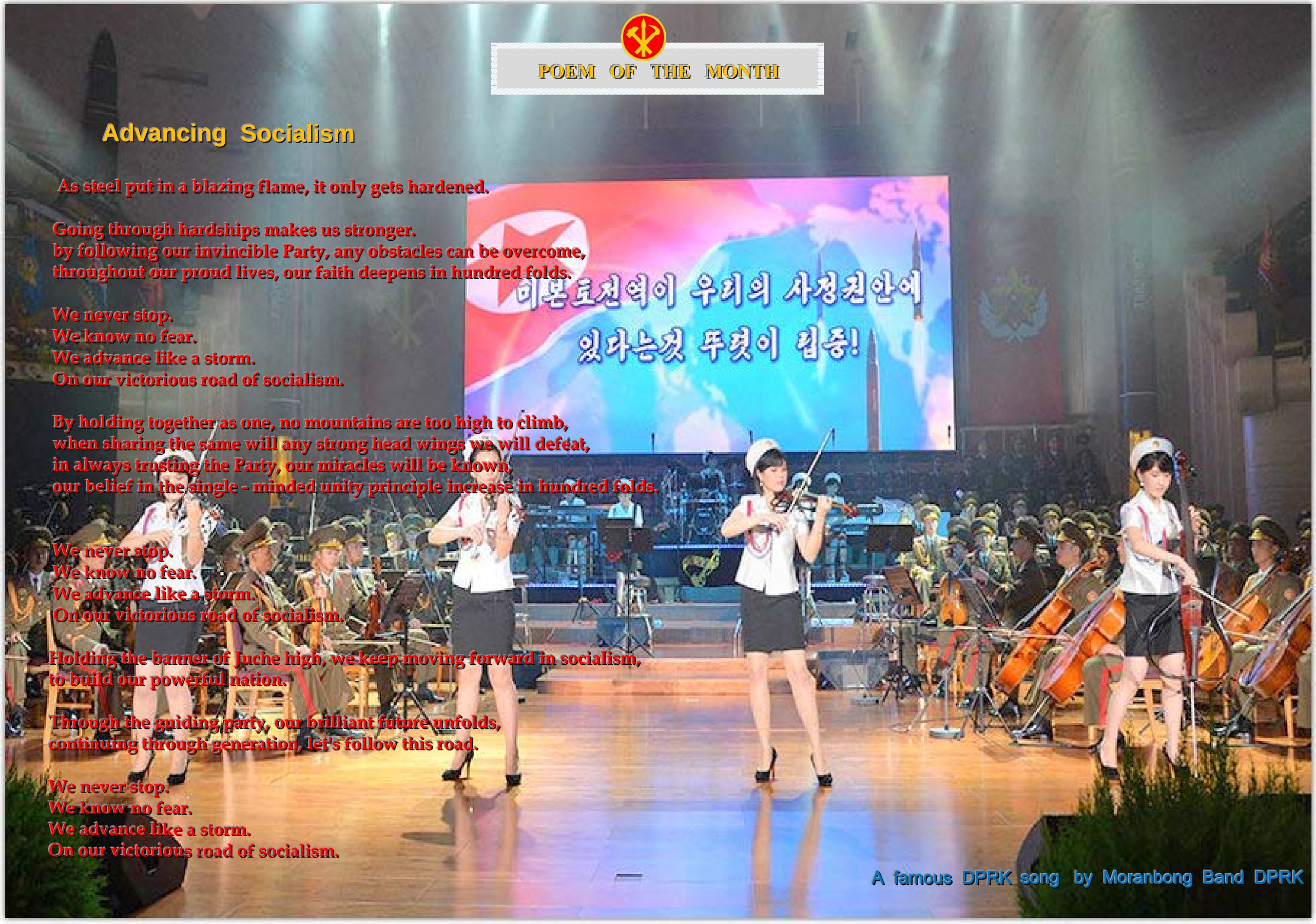

POEM OF THE MONTH

Advancing Socialism

As steel put in a blazing flame, it only gets hardened.

Going through hardships makes us stronger.
by following our invincible Party, any obstacles can be overcome,
throughout our proud lives, our faith deepens in hundred folds.

We never stop.
We know no fear.
We advance like a storm.
On our victorious road of socialism.

By holding together as one, no mountains are too high to climb,
when sharing the same will any strong head wings we will defeat,
in always trusting the Party, our miracles will be known,
our belief in the single - minded unity principle increase in hundred folds.

We never stop.
We know no fear.
We advance like a storm.
On our victorious road of socialism.

Holding the banner of Juche high, we keep moving forward in socialism,
to build our powerful nation.

Through the guiding party, our brilliant future unfolds,
continuing through generation, let's follow this road.

We never stop.
We know no fear.
We advance like a storm.
On our victorious road of socialism.

A famous DPRK song by Moranbong Band DPRK

LIST OF KEYNOTE DPRK ANNIVERSARIES DURING THE YEAR

January

8th of January
Marshal KIM JONG UN's birthday

February

8th of February
Foundation of Korean People's Army as a regular and standing revolutionary armed force

16th of February
Day of the 'Shining Star' Anniversary of the Birth of the Great Leader Comrade KIM JONG IL

March

5th of March
Anniversary of Agrarian Reform Law

8th of March
International women's Day

April

25th of April
'Day of the Sun' anniversary of the birth of the Great Leader Comrade KIM IL SUNG
Foundation of the KPA as the Korean Revolutionary Army

27th of April
Anniversary of Panmunjom Inter - Korean Summit

May

1st of May
'International Worker's Day'

June

25th of June
Anniversary of the provocation of the Fatherland Liberation War by the US imperialists

July

8th of July
Anniversary of the passing away of the Great Leader KIM IL SUNG

17th of July
Anniversary of the award of the title of Marshal to Respected Comrade KIM JONG UN

27th of July
Anniversary of victory in 'Fatherland Liberation War'

August

15th of August
'Day of Songun'
(start of the Songun revolutionary leadership of the Great Leader Comrade KIM JONG IL)

September

9th of September
Foundation of the Republic Day

22nd of September
Anniversary of the passing away of the anti - Japanese Heroine and Mother of Korea, Madame KIM JONG SUK

October

10th of October
Party Foundation Day

17th of October
Anniversary of foundation of 'Down with Imperialism Union'

November

13th of November
Not a DPRK anniversary but anniversary of the foundation of the Korean Friendship Association

29th of November
Anniversary of 'Hwasong - 15' test fire

December

17th of December
Anniversary of the passing away of the Great Leader Comrade KIM JONG IL as a Korean People's Army Supreme Commander

24th of December
Anniversary of the Birth of Madame KIM JONG SUK
Anniversary of the appointment of the Great Leader Comrade KIM JONG IL

30rd of December
Anniversary of the appointment of Marshal KIM JONG UN as a Korean People's Army Supreme Commander